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Atherton, Khalil hold inconclusive round of talks

CAIRO, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — U.S. special envoy Alfred Atherton and Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil ended three hours of talks here Friday without any apparent indications of breakthrough on Egyptian and Israeli views on a peace treaty.

Dr. Khalil told reporters that Egypt has not changed its position since the visit of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to the area last December and that it was premature at this stage to speculate about the progress of Friday's talks.

He also said that Egypt made no new proposals to Atherton.

Asked whether there was any sign of progress in Friday's talks, Khalil said: "This is a premature question and what we have done is to discuss our position and to know about Mr. Atherton's efforts in Israel."

Khalil said he did not discuss with Atherton any reformulations of new ideas.

"We have not discussed reformulations of anything," Khalil said, clearly indicating Egypt's previous demands for amending the draft treaty remained unchanged.

Egypt wanted a revision of security arrangements in Sinai within five years.

Atherton, however, declined to go into details and merely said he will report to Vance on his talks here.

He said he will meet Khalil again Saturday.

Atherton's mission, ordered by President Carter in an effort to revive the stalled Israeli-Egyptian treaty negotiations, was confined to attempt to overcome differences in the two articles, four and six, of the draft treaty.

This left aside the difficult question of Palestinian self-rule on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

An Egyptian cabinet statement on Khalil's talks with Atherton said the discussions were focused on the two treaty articles.

The statement said Khalil made it clear security arrangements in Sinai must be reviewed within a suitable span of time after the signature of the treaty, the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported.

It also said Khalil made it clear to Atherton that a peace treaty with Israel must not override Egypt's defense commitment to Arab countries.

The Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty must not have any pre-ference or privileges over any other treaty or agreement, MENA quoted the statement as saying.

The statement said Khalil also discussed other developments in the region, an apparent reference to the troubles in Iran.

In a separate development, "Al-Ahram" newspaper reported Friday that President Sadat is expected to visit the United States, Japan and West Germany early next spring to seek help in raising a \$15 billion loan for Egypt.

Mrs. Kreps arrives for talks

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA) — U.S. Commerce Secretary Mrs. Juanita Kreps, who arrived here Friday, said her talks with Saudi officials will deal with economic relations and other matters of common interest.

Commenting on her visit, Dr. Soliman A. Solaim said that discussions will include "a number of topics that will cover trade exchange between the two countries, the value of the dollar and President Carter's drive to increase American exports in order to improve the American balance of payments which, in turn, will stabilize the dollar."

Speaking to the Saudi Press Agency Mrs. Kreps said the Kingdom "is of great importance not only to the U.S. but to the world at large."

Third suspect named in assassination of Palestinian leader

BEIRUT, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — The Palestine Liberation Organization named Friday a 31-year-old woman with a British passport as the third member of a hit team that assassinated Ali Hassan Salameh, the head of Fatah security service.

But PLO spokesmen were resigned that all three major suspects in the assassination squad have already left Lebanon through the eastern sector of Beirut.

The woman was identified as Erika Mary Chambers, passport number B-849520 issued in London in 1975. Sources of a special commando investigating team said she is suspected of having sent the remote control signal that detonated a hooby-trapped car killing Salameh, four Palestinian bodyguards, three Lebanese and a British woman passerby Monday.

The sources said Miss Chambers was believed to have sent the electronic signal from a small apartment she rented four months ago overlooking Salameh's flat.

The signal detonated a Volkswagen rigged with 50 kilograms of explosives as Salameh, code name Abu Hassan, drove past in his station wagon.

Miss Chambers paid 14,000 Lebanese pounds (less than \$5,000) in a one year rent for the apartment. She also rented a Japanese-made car from the same Beirut rental outfit that provided the car for the other two suspects, the sources added.

The apartment building janitor says he saw Miss Chambers, carrying a suitcase, leaving the place by her rented car a short while after the fatal blast. She was quoted as having said the explosion and the ensuing commotion had unnerved her and she wanted a short rest in a hotel in another area, according to the sources.

Miss Chambers failed to return the car to the owners and a search of Beirut's western sector, where the assassination took place, has failed to locate the missing vehicle, the sources said.

The sources said the investigating team believes all three went to the eastern sector of the city separately before and after the assassination.

Palestinian and Lebanese security officials do not rule out the possibility that the passports carried by the three suspects were forged.

Earlier, a Dutch cameraman carrying Israeli identification was held for questioning by a Palestinian commando group, the Dutch embassy and Palestinian spokesmen said Thursday.

The television cameraman, identified only as M. Rutten, was picked up Wednesday at the funeral of Abu Hassan.

Israelis lift curfew on W. Bank village

ABU DIS, Occupied West Bank, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — The Israeli army lifted a 27-hour curfew on this village Friday after a house-to-house search uncovered what the West Bank military governor described as "one of the most dangerous cells" of Palestinian commandos operating in the Jerusalem area.

Brig. Gen. Benyamin Ben-

Eliezer told reporters eight suspects were rounded up in one of the most intensive man-hunts for commandos in recent years.

"Members of the cell confessed during interrogation to 10 bombing operations," Ben-Eliezer claimed.

"After a widespread intelligence operation, it became clear from many clues that most of the actions carried out in Jerusalem and nearby led to Abu Dis," the general said.

Army troops cut telephone lines and cordoned the village at 3 a.m. Thursday to sweep through half the 800 houses in the hamlet before the curfew was lifted at 6 a.m. Friday, he said.

A village of 8,000, Abu Dis lies in the shadow of the Mount of Olives. Part of the village falls inside the Jerusalem city limits annexed by Israel in 1967.

Ben-Eliezer summoned reporters to Abu Dis for an unusual news conference at the site where he said soldiers found a cache of more than 60 pounds of plastic explosives.

Although the operations attributed to the cell were not among the largest of the last year, the general claimed it was one of the most dangerous cells operating in the Jerusalem area.

Khomeini still vows return as followers, troops clash

TEHRAN, Jan. 26 (AP) — Troops in Tehran and the western city of Sanandaj opened fire Friday on thousands of supporters of Ayatollah Khomeini angered by the government's delaying his return to Iran, and there were reports of at least 11 dead and 53 wounded.

Khomeini aides at his exile headquarters in France said Iranian army troops joined in anti-government protests in the cities of Isfahan and Tabriz.

Residents of Tabriz said heavy shooting broke out in the downtown area of that northwestern city. Opposition sources claimed an undetermined number of people were killed in clashes in Tabriz between police and pro-Khomeini demonstrators.

The official Pars News Agency said there also had been pro-government marches both in Tabriz and Zahedan in eastern Iran.

Hospital sources said at least six persons were killed and 28 wounded in Tehran. Pars said "a number of people were killed and wounded" in Sanandaj. Unofficial estimates placed the death toll in Sanandaj at five with 25 wounded. (See related stories, pages 3 and 16).

Khomeini spokesman Sadegh Ghotbzadeh said in France that opposition reports from Iran indicated 15 persons had been killed and 1,000 arrested in Friday's "enormous demonstrations."

But some of the Tehran demonstrators, their hands smeared with blood, told reporters that more than 30 were killed in the capital alone.

Ghotbzadeh said that according to his information soldiers joined in pro-Khomeini demonstrations in the southern city of Isfahan and were taking part in an anti-government hunger strike in the northeastern city of Mashhad.

The foot of the Shah, now "vacationing" in Morocco,

Fahd flies to Jeddah

JEDDAH, Jan. 26 (SP) — Crown Prince Fahd flew to Jeddah Friday night to inspect the damage caused by the recent rainstorm.

He was accompanied by Prince Salman, governor of Riyadh and Dr. Rashad Pharaon, special adviser to King Khaled.

It was announced last week that King Khaled, had instructed Prince Fahd to study the situation personally, assess the losses incurred by citizen and report to him.



WAITING FOR KHOMEINI: Multitudes mingle in a crowd of hundreds of thousands who came Friday to Tehran's main cemetery in expectation of Ayatollah Khomeini's arrival. (AP Wirephoto)

and Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiar armed themselves with wooden and metal staves and set fire to spare tires and garbage in the streets around Tehran University. Thick black smoke billowed over buildings in the heart of the city.

The crowd taunted the soldiers with shouts of "Death to Bakhtiar" and "We will build a peoples army to fight the army" and "We will go on whether Khomeini comes or not."

Heavy gunfire sounded throughout the area.

The religious leader's return from 14 years of exile, originally scheduled for Friday, was delayed by military orders closing Iran's airports until Sunday. The army was also

ordered to enforce a martial-law ban on demonstrations, and an informed source said military leaves had been cancelled and Tehran's garrisons had been placed on alert.

At least seven journalists and an undetermined number of others were reported arrested under a martial-law provision allowing them to be held incommunicado indefinitely. The journalists were leaders of the press freedom movement that closed Tehran's seven leading newspapers for 62 days, until Bakhtiar lifted censorship three weeks ago.

One of Khomeini's chief aides in Tehran said his supporters were planning a demonstration Saturday to protest the closing of the airports.

Gen. Mehdi Rahimi, Tehran's military governor, responded with a warning that he would begin enforcing regulations against unauthorized demonstrations.

Khomeini, the 78-year-old architect of the nationwide campaign of strikes and demonstrations to overthrow the Shah and bring down the Bakhtiar government, told followers in Paris he would fly home as soon as the airports reopened.

Rumors that Khomeini had returned secretly to Hamadan, Shiraz or other Iranian cities swept the country, touching off celebrations among his followers. But a spokesman for him in Paris said he was still there.

High court limits picketing

Hope flickers in U.K. strikes

LONDON, Jan. 26 (R) — Britain Friday saw a glimmer of hope that industrial disruption would ease.

Peace moves in the train engineers' dispute and a potentially far-reaching court decision on the limits of picketing brought the possibility of at least a temporary respite to three weeks of labor strife.

More trucks were back on the road but most of the 100,000 striking lorry drivers appeared far from settling prolonged wage negotiations.

Train engineers, who have staged four one-day national strikes, decided against further action this month and agreed to take their case to a railway arbitration body.

The announcement came after Len Murray, secretary-general of the Trades Union Congress, called leaders of three bickering rail unions together to discuss their approach to pay talks with management.

In the high court a judge banned the picketing of a bus firm not directly involved in the truck drivers' dispute—the first court action of its kind which could eventually release the stranglehold pickets have on supply lines.

The judge, Sir Desmond Ackner, granted a temporary injunction stopping members of the giant Transport and General Workers' Union (TGWU) picketing the United Biscuit Company's plant at Purfleet, east of London.

He ruled that picketing of the plant was too remote from the dispute to be covered by trade union law.

Hundreds of ports and depots which are also not directly involved in the truckers' dispute have been picketed this month, blocking the flow of food, raw materials for factories and essential goods.

The so-called "secondary picketing" has become an inflammatory issue here. Ackner called it "a recipe for anarchy."

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For trade, projects

IDB approves \$50m aid

JEDDAH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—The Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Thursday approved loans for projects and foreign trade finance of \$50 million at the end of the 32nd session of its executive directors here.

The Muslim countries benefiting included Oman, Tunisia, Sudan, Niger and Mali.

Meeting under IDB President Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali, the bank approved a loan of 4.9 million Islamic Dinars (\$6.2 million) to finance the building and furnishing of a vocational training center at Al-Sib in Oman. The project is designed to provide skilled labor for the economic development of the Sultanate.

The bank will also open an ID4 million (\$5.1 million) credit line for the National Bank of Tunisia to cover start-up costs for industrial projects. The bank will further finance the export of sulfur from Tunisia's Chemical Industries Company to other Muslim countries to the tune of \$12 million.

For Sudan, the IDB will finance \$14 million worth of imports for refined petroleum products. The government of Mali received ID 6 million (\$8 million) for the import of building materials and fertilizer.

The bank also approved a loan of ID 3.2 million (\$4 million) for the Niger Cement Company.

Britain denies Kingdom backing out of oil meet

LONDON, Jan. 26 (UPI)—Britain's Ministry of Energy said Friday there was no substance to reports that an informal meeting in London between OPEC and non-OPEC oil producers planned for early March had been cancelled.

"Okaz" newspaper said Thursday the conference, sponsored by the British ministry, will not be held because Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have declined to participate.

"There is absolutely no substance to these reports," the ministry said.

Details of the conference, which officials hope will be held around the first week of March, are still being worked out.

The conference is expected to group OPEC countries Venezuela, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Ecuador, along with the non-OPEC oil producers Britain, Norway, Mexico, and Canada.

The purpose of the conference, the ministry said, was to discuss possible links that might be forged between OPEC and non-OPEC oil producers.

Petroleum and Minerals Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani will represent the Kingdom. British officials said in London recently.

The meeting will be the first official contact between OPEC and non-OPEC producers and the emphasis will be on the creation of grounds for a dialogue. Oil pricing will not be discussed, the officials said.

The meeting is expected to look at producer-government relations with oil companies, oil problems of poor countries and future supply prospects.

Hail area to get 4 new hospitals

HAIL, Jan. 26 (SPA)—New hospitals of between 50 and 150 beds will be set up in Al-Hail, Mouqef, Baqa and Sumaira in Hail Province over the next four years, according to Dr. Muhammad Sami Abu Sinnah, Hail health affairs director.

Ten health centers will be upgraded and 22 new centers built in this northern region. Dr. Sinnah said Friday. The site for a new 200-bed special hospital in Hail town has been handed over to building contractors, he said.

Already, 61 specialists are working in Hail, he added.



Dr. Fayez Badr

Houston magazine honors Badr

JEDDAH, Jan. 26 — Saudi Ports Authority President Dr. Fayez Badr has been named "International Executive of the Year" for last year by the Houston-based monthly business publication "B and E International," the magazine has announced.

Badr, who gained international recognition for his role in clearing Saudi ports of congestion in 1976 and 1977 will be honored at a special awards dinner in Houston on Feb. 22.

Born in Mecca in 1936, Badr is a Doctor of Economics and former deputy minister of planning. In 1978, Badr was appointed a minister of state without portfolio.

Minister to open parley of Arab educators today

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khateeb will open the conference of Arab education undersecretaries and deputy ministers here Saturday. The five-day session, to be held at the Riyadh Model Institute, will discuss educational development in the Arab world.

The Saudi delegation to the conference will be led by Prince Khalid bin Fahd bin Khalid, deputy minister for education and administrative affairs.

A number of Arab officials and a UNESCO delegation have already arrived in the capital.

Experts from the Gulf Education Bureau and the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO) will also attend.

Meanwhile, Southern Regional Directorate of Education said Thursday that the area now had 250 primary, 20 intermediate and two secondary schools for women and four women teachers training institutes.

institutes.

An intermediate college will be opened in the province next year for further studies by graduates of the secondary schools and training institutes. A branch of the Riyadh's College of Education would also open in 1980, it said.

Nearly 1,000 adult literacy classes have been held so far, and the Directorate of Girls' Education has announced an inducement of SR 500 to each student. Over 5,000 women have already joined the classes, the regional directorate said.

At Riyadh college

Geographers urge modern research unit

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—The First Islamic Conference on Geography has recommended that Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University set up a permanent secretariat for the conference on the lines of the Islamic Conference Organization in Jeddah.

The geography experts attending the one-week meeting at King Faisal Conference Hall also called for the creation of a research center on the contemporary Muslim world at the Islamic university.

Among recommendations approved Thursday at the closing meeting under Dr. Abdullah Ibn Abdul Mohsen Al-Turki rector of the Islamic university, were preparation of an encyclopedia and atlases of geography and Islamic history and the "Arabization and standardization of geographical terms by means of a special dictionary."

The session also called for increased efforts to publish and translate Islamic geographical classics and shed light on loiterers nabbed at girls' schools.

RIYADH, Jan. 26 — Riyadh police have arrested a number of youths found loitering at girls' schools in the capital, "Al-Jazirah" reported Friday.

The paper quoted Police Commander Capt. Ibrahim Al-Otaibi as saying that Riyadh Governor Prince Salman had ordered the police to keep a constant watch at the schools to curb harassment of the women students.

Last year, a boy was flogged by police in front of the Rowdat Al-Maarif School in Jeddah for harassing students.

on present conditions of Muslim minorities.

In particular, it urged special attention to the Palestinian problem, people and land and possible Zionist attempts to "judaize" and alter the Arab character of the area.

The conference underlined the need for geographical studies on the pilgrimage, for cooperation with the existing centers concerned with pilgrim-

mage and for attention to studies on the geography of the Holy Quran and Traditions of the Holy Prophet.

Other recommendations covered experiments in the use of desalinated water for irrigation and geographical research bearing on the economic and social life of the Muslim world as a step toward the creation of an integrated Islamic economic bloc.

Crime chief leaves for Abu Dhabi

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—Director General of the Interior Ministry's Anti-Crime Center Dr. Farouk Abdul Rahman Murad leave here for Abu Dhabi Saturday to chair the meetings of the executive council of the Arab Organization for Social Defense which begins there Monday. The delegates will approve execution of the resolutions of the second conference of Arab interior ministers which was held in Baghdad last October.

Yamani attends conference today

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani flew to Baghdad Friday evening to attend the two-day Arab Information Ministers Conference which opens there Saturday.

Saudi-Italian body ends meeting

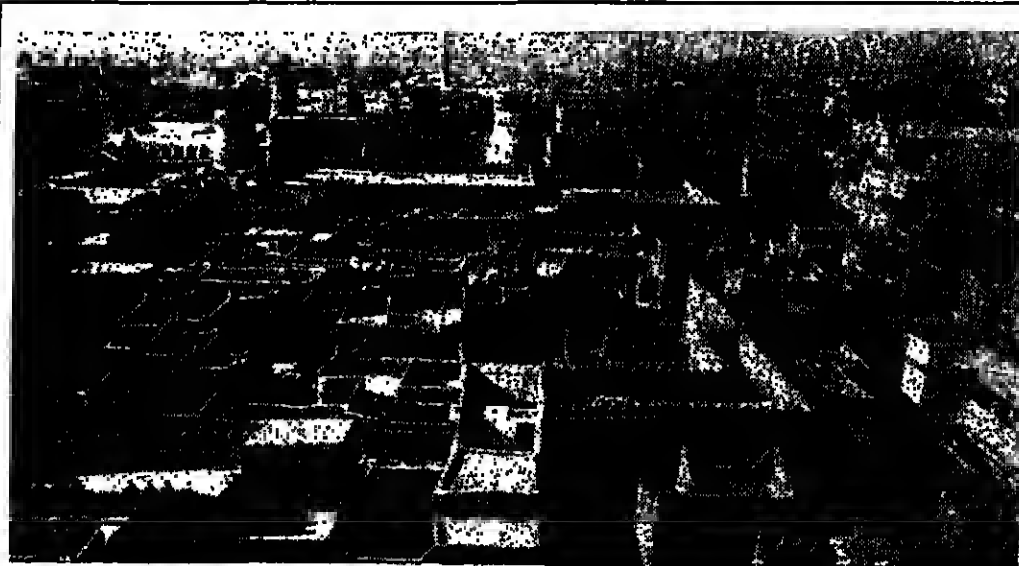
ROME, Jan. 26 (SPA)—The Saudi-Italian Joint Commission concluded its two-day session here Friday. A statement, issued at the end of the talks, said the deliberations covered economic, commercial, technical, health and industrial cooperation and ways of consolidating it. The Saudi side was led by Ambassador to Italy Sheikh Khalid Nasser Al-Turki. The commission put forward several resolutions to increase the volume of trade and to remove commercial obstacles.

Qaboos sees Saudi ambassador

MUSCAT, Jan. 26 (SPA)—Sultan Qaboos bin Said of Oman Wednesday received Saudi Ambassador Sheikh Muhammad Abdullah Al-Mutlaq.

Abu Daoud heads chamber mission

JEDDAH, Jan. 26 (SPA)—Sheikh Ismail Abu Daoud, the head of Jeddah Chamber of Commerce, will fly to Dubai Sunday to lead the Kingdom's delegation to the 47th session of the Federation of Arab Chambers of Commerce which will open there next week.

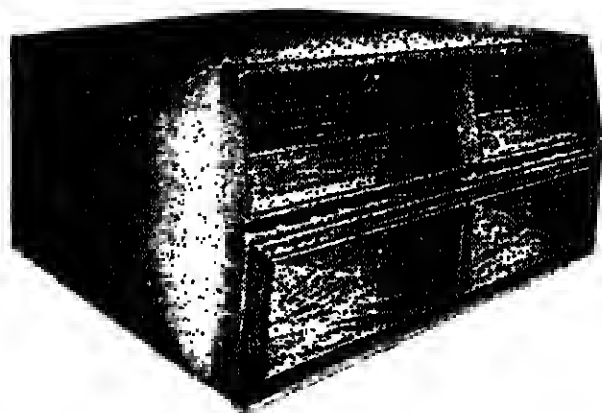


MAZE: Old mud houses in Riyadh form an intricate maze of alleys. (M.L.)

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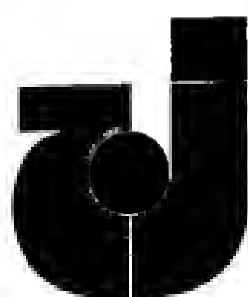
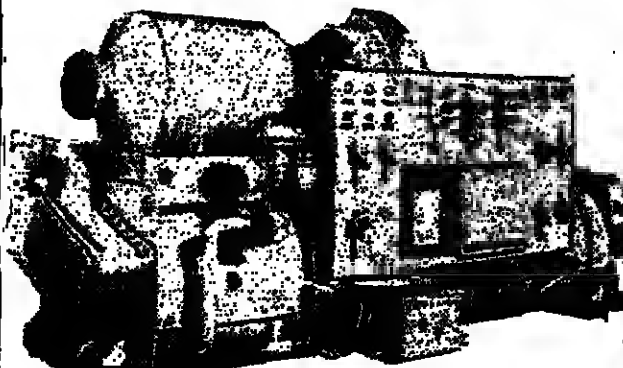
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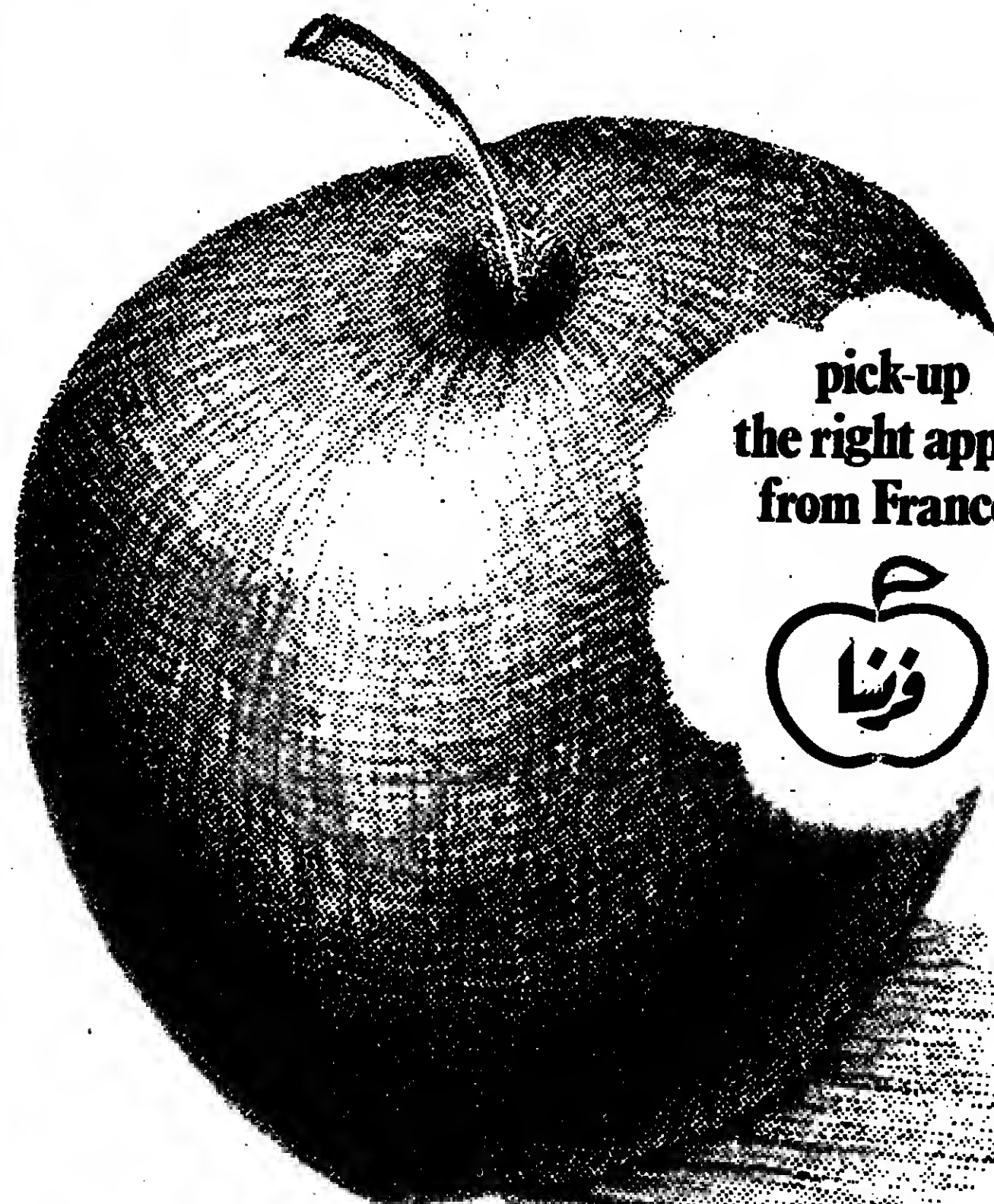
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New Somali constitution supports Ogaden fighters

NAIROBI, Jan. 26 (R) — Somalia's support for guerrilla movements fighting in the disputed Ogaden area of Ethiopia is enshrined in a new constitution approved this week by the ruling Socialist Party, the official Somali News Agency (SONNA) reported Friday.

The 114-article constitution, which replaces the one repealed after President Muhammad Barre seized power in 1969, must be ratified by a referendum this year. It states

that Somalia is a socialist state, that the leadership of the Revolutionary Socialist Party (SRSP) and the state are integrated and that the SRSP is the sole party with supreme authority in the land.

There is a commitment to a policy of positive neutrality in external affairs and a declaration of support for international liberation movements, especially the Somali liberation fronts.

Although a full text of the

constitution is not yet available, it appeared that this provision was less sweeping than the goal of a greater Somalia, including all Somali people in Somalia, Kenya, Ethiopia and Djibouti, which was written into the previous constitution.

The agency said the constitution provided for a people's assembly with legislative powers — the first since the 1969 coup.

It said the president would be elected by popular mandate but gave no details of his term of office or when an election might take place.

Somalia is one of the world's poorest nations made up largely of camel and goat-herding nomads.

It developed its own form of socialism during the years of Soviet presence which began in the early 1970s.

Declaring the special SRSP congress closed Thursday night Barre said of the new constitution, "you have accepted a historical document of great significance. Now what is needed is to implement it."

Somalia has provided support for two guerrilla organizations formed by ethnic Somalis living in the Ogaden.

Moscow explains actions in Eritrea

MOSCOW, Jan. 26 (R) — An official Soviet weekly journal has given a rare explanation of Moscow's support to the Ethiopian government in its war against separatist guerrillas in Eritrea, once Soviet-backed, against whom Soviet and Cuban military personnel are reported to be directing Ethiopian troops in a successful campaign.

political program and wanted only separation.

"Absolutely groundless in the given case are the references of some separatist leaders in the Marxist-Leninist thesis on the right of nations to self-determination. "New Times" said.

Under socialist theory only already formed nations could decide on secession and not "a conglomerate of nationalities and tribes." The article was summarized by Tass before publication.

Met by Palestinian fire

Israeli planes buzz South Lebanon

SIDON, Lebanon, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — Israeli planes flew over this southern Lebanese port Friday drawing anti-aircraft fire from Palestinian and leftist guns.

There were similar reports from nearby Tyre, and from the Palestinian-led stronghold of Nabatieh, which earlier this week came under heavy Israeli bombardment.

According to Palestinian sources, the commandos and their allies drove off Israeli gunboats which approached Sidon at dawn Friday.

Local residents spoke of a continuing exodus from southern villages and Palestinian camps, which had also been belted by the Israelis.

Only five per cent of the original inhabitants of the camps near Nabatieh and Tyre remained, they said.

Some of those fleeing their homes sought refuge in nearby villages under the control of United Nations troops.

An informal ceasefire agreement in southern Lebanon was arranged by the United Nations officers two days ago after a five-day exchange of heavy artillery fire.

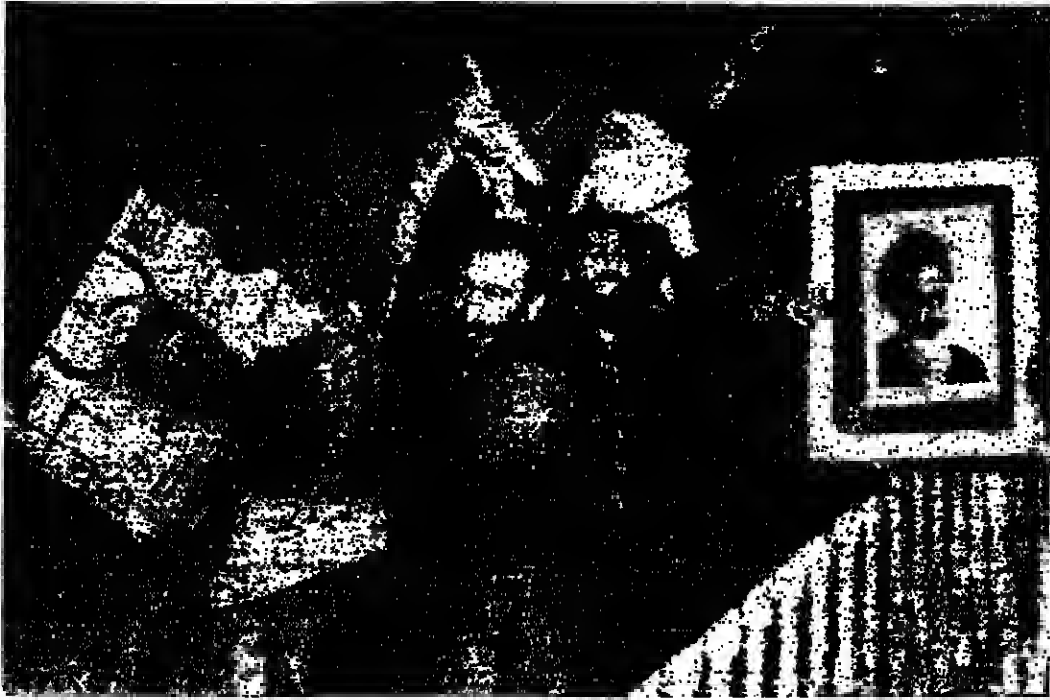
At the United Nations, Thursday, the Security Council circulated letters in which the PLO and Israel accuse each other of provoking upon conflict in southern Lebanon.

In Tel Aviv Friday, the English-language "Jerusalem

Post" reported that Israel is considering asking Holland not to send troops to join the United Nations force in Lebanon.

There was no official confirmation of the story, in which the paper's military correspondent Elmer Goodman quoted informed sources as saying Israel was worried about the effect that the presence of Dutch troops in Lebanon would have on Israeli relations with Holland.

The Dutch troops are due to be deployed in a highly sensitive area of southern Lebanon which adjoins territory controlled by Israeli-backed right-wing militias.



LONDON: Some 28 demonstrators calling themselves "The Iranian Islamic Society" took up pictures of the Shah and Empress Farah in the Iranian Consulate Thursday. They left the consulate late Thursday night, and three were arrested.

Three arrested

Iranians take U.K. consulate

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — Fifty Iranian students stormed the Iranian consulate Thursday and staged a five-hour sit-in demanding the Tehran government reopen airports to allow their leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, to return from his exile in Paris to establish an Islamic republic.

Police arrested three of the protesters on charges of assaulting police officers during the takeover of the consulate in Kensington. The consulate adjoins the Iranian Embassy.

Embassy officials said the students rushed into the consulate after the door was opened to a young woman carrying a baby.

The protesters, demanding the abolition of Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiar's government, ripped photographs of the Shah off the walls of consulate offices and chanted pro-Khomeini slogans. They put up large portraits of the 78-year-old Khomeini.

Police said 15 consulate

staffers were permitted to leave the building unharmed. The students ended the protest Thursday night after talking with Iran's acting ambassador, Hushang Mahdavi.

They claimed officials had agreed to most of their demands.

Iraqi leader announces parliamentary elections

BAGHDAD, Jan. 26 (R) — Iraq is to hold general elections this year for its first parliament since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1958, the Iraq news agency (INA) reported Friday.

It quoted Saddam Hussein, vice-president of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council, as telling a meeting of trade union leaders Thursday that the elections would be held for a central council of representatives of the people.

Under a law to be promulgated by the R.C.C., the new council would play a part in the decision-making process in

A spokesman for the group said the only sticking point had been that consular staff "did not recognize the illegality of the Bakhtiar regime."

The group, all students, stormed into the building in mid-afternoon after staging a demonstration outside in support of Khomeini.

Iraq, INA said, Hussein gave no date for the planned elections.

Since 1958 Iraq has been ruled by a succession of authoritarian governments and since 1968 it has been governed by the Baath Party whose council has governed by decree.

The announcement that elected representatives of the people would once again have a role in the country's political life came shortly before a summit meeting in Damascus which is expected to set the seal on moves by Iraq and Syria towards some form of merger.

Turkish military trials begin

ANKARA, Jan. 26 (R) — Military courts Friday began dealing with 140 cases involving over 753 people accused of "crimes leading to the imposition of martial law" in 13 Turkish provinces a month ago. Among the cases are the killing of a deputy public prosecutor in Ankara last year and the bombings of a coffee house and city bus which led to the deaths of another 11 people.

Libyan minister condemns piracy

BONN, Jan. 26 (R) — The Libyan interior minister says his government condemns air piracy and would extradite hijackers immediately. The minister, Col. Younis Belkadem also said his country was prepared to export more oil to West Germany in the event of supply shortages from Iran.

Polisario promises to win war

TINDOUF, Algeria, Jan. 26 (R) — Polisario claims that its armed forces are capable of bringing about a military solution in the protracted western Sahara dispute.

Italy checks Israeli citrus

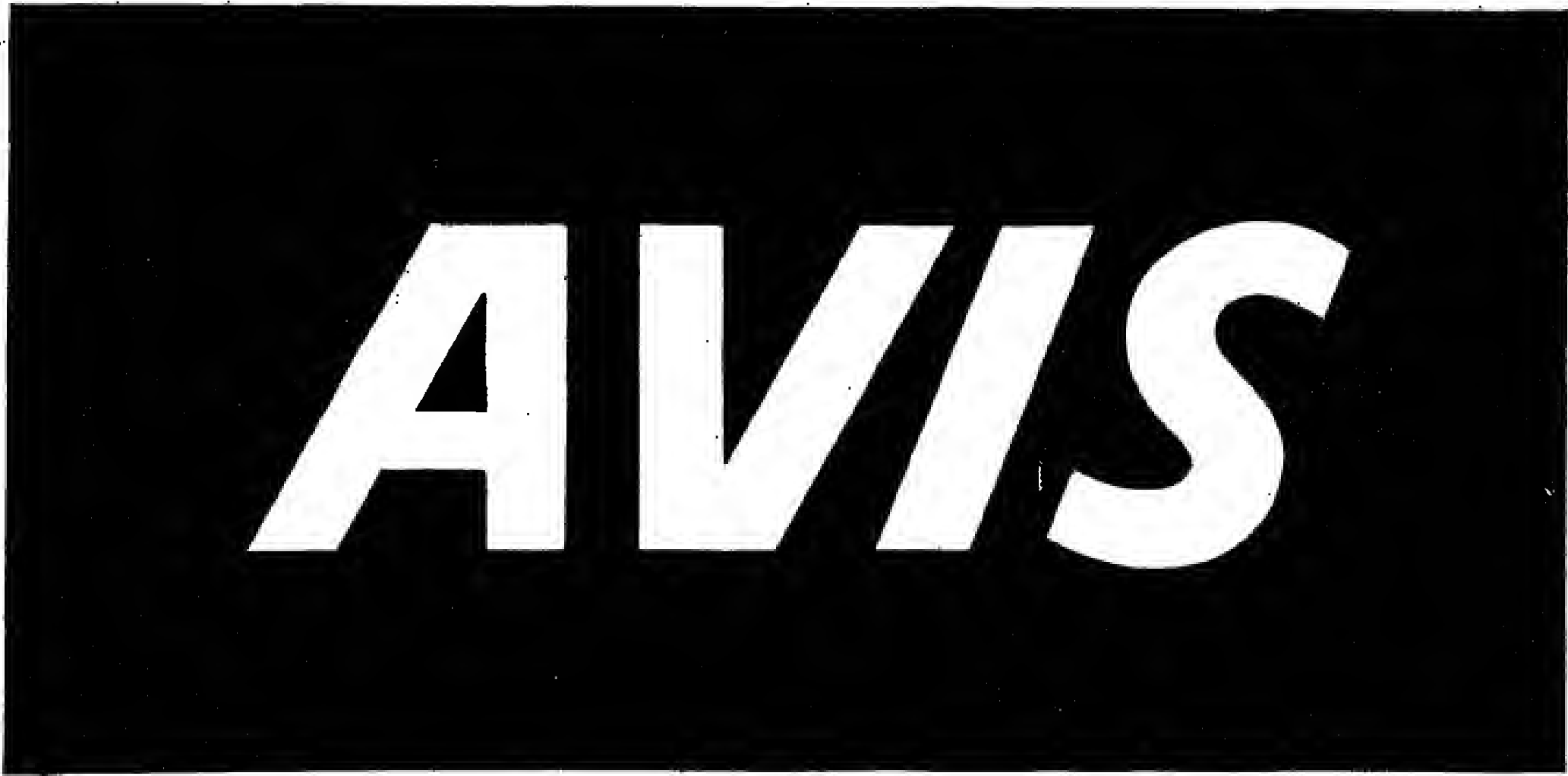
MILAN, Jan. 26 (AP) — Officials in Genoa and Trieste have begun another round of checks on citrus imported from Israel after reports that Palestinians have threatened to poison them. Similar measures were believed to have been taken in some Scandinavian countries and Holland.

Ford arrives in Amman

AMMAN, Jan. 26 (AP) — Former President Gerald Ford arrived in Amman Friday as part of his Middle East tour, which has included visits to Cairo, Damascus, Riyadh, Abu Dhabi and Israel. He is scheduled to leave Amman Sunday on his way home.

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Aims at Brezhnev, Senate

Carter putting on SALT pressure

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — President Carter has stepped up the pressure on both the Soviet Union and the Senate to conclude a new strategic arms limitation (SALT) agreement.

In a message to congress Thursday, Carter urged Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to

meet him in Washington, hoping that "we could conclude an agreement curbing the strategic arms race."

At the same time, the president sought to reassure Congressional opponents of the proposed pact by saying that America would never ignore Soviet challenges to America's interests.

U.S. officials believe that the only international hitch to signing a new arms accord with the Soviets stems from U.S. diplomatic recognition of mainland China.

But there remains strong conservative opposition in the Senate to signing SALT II.

And congressional leaders are also saying that Carter's pledge to NATO to raise military spending by three per cent is only a guideline that Congress is free to ignore.

Sen. John Stennis, (A-Miss.) chairman of the senate Armed Services Committee, said the figure "is just a kind of legislative term, a phrase, an argument." If congress were obliged by the figure, he said, it could "vote now and close the books" on the defense budget.

Instead, said Stennis, congress will make a judgment on each part of the administration's \$122.7 billion budget, which has touched off a gun-versus-butter debate because defense spending is going up while social programs are being cut back.

Tanzania admits troops crossed Ugandan border

NAIROBI, Jan. 26 (R) — Tanzania Friday acknowledged that its troops stormed into Uganda this week, an apparent escalation of the three-month-old border conflict.

The report in the government-owned "Tanzania Daily News" came as Uganda Radio said President Idi Amin had appealed to the United Nations to persuade Tanzania to withdraw its forces from Ugandan territory.

In his message to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim,



MOSCOW: Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, Thursday President Carter invited Brezhnev to Washington for a summit to put the finishing touches to a second strategic arms limitation treaty.

New regime says Vietnamese to stay

Cambodia digs in for long war

BANGKOK, Jan. 26 (UPI) — Cambodia's new rulers said Friday they are facing a drawn-out guerrilla war and, admitting their presence for the first time, said Vietnamese troops would stay in the country to help fight it.

The pro-Vietnamese administration also published Cambodia's first newspaper since 1975, the official Cambodian radio said.

Vietnam, escalating its potentially explosive quarrel with China, warned the Peking regime against supporting Khmer Rouge loyalists who claim to have recaptured the provincial capitals of Kampot and Takeo last weekend.

Intelligence sources in Bangkok doubted the claims but American officials in Washington reported a "significant" buildup of Chinese troops on Vietnam's borders and urged restraint on both sides.

Moreover, a news report that former Cambodian Vice Premier Ieng Sary has left China for an undisclosed destination—possibly his homeland—fueled speculation that followers of deposed Premier Pol Pot were stepping up their fight.

The Japanese news agency Kyodo quoted Western diplomats as saying Ieng Sary, no. Two in the toppled regime, is believed to have returned to Cambodia via Thailand.

Both Hanoi and Phnom Penh radio Friday broadcast recordings of speeches made by President Heng Samrin and Defense Minister Pen Sovann at a victory ceremony in Phnom Penh's stadium Thursday.

"Our armed forces comrades must continue to accept sacrifices, difficulties, sufferings and privations," Pen Sovann said. "The enemy is not yet resigned to its defeat. We must continue to sweep up the debris of the enemy army. We must raise the spirit of solidarity between the people of Cambodia and our brothers the Vietnamese."

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But he said any future dialogue must be conducted by "responsible authorities" to ensure binding measures.

But some experts believe four or five hundred pieces weighing up to two tons could be scattered on earth.

Robert Frosch, NASA administrator, told a Congressional subcommittee Thursday "we have some options for possibly influencing Skylab in its last couple of orbits."

He added that there was disagreement among agency experts on whether it could be controlled from the ground.

Korean dialogue differences remain

SEOUL, Jan. 26 (AP) — South and North Korea traded fresh statements Friday designed to resume their suspended dialogue, but their fundamental differences on how to start apparently remained unchanged.

South Korea, proposed convening a preliminary meeting either in Seoul or Pyongyang "as soon as possible" discuss measures for reopening the dialogue.

But it pointed out that any meeting must be attended by "responsible authorities" on both sides, as were previous talks.

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NASA chief sees chance Skylab bits may hit cities

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 — The head of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration says he is not sure whether the giant Skylab space station could be steered away from populated areas when it falls to Earth later this year.

Space agency officials have said the unmanned 85-ton station, expected to fall between April and September, should burn up in re-entry.

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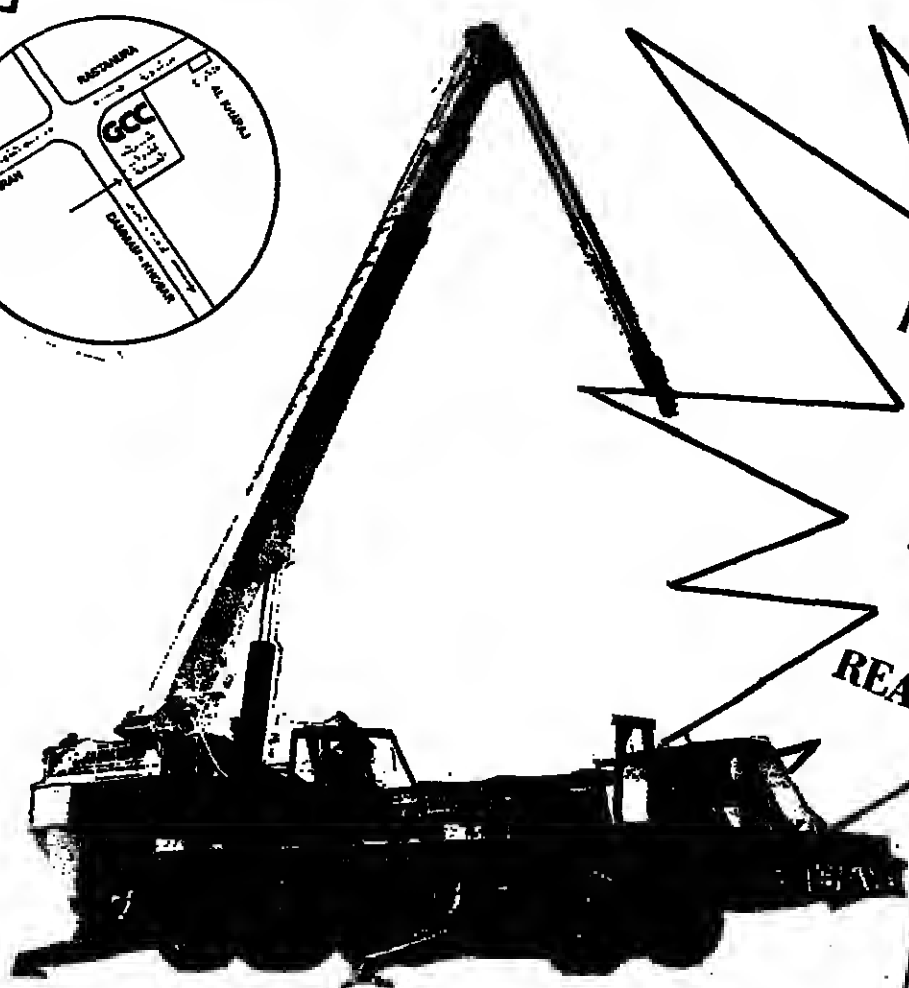
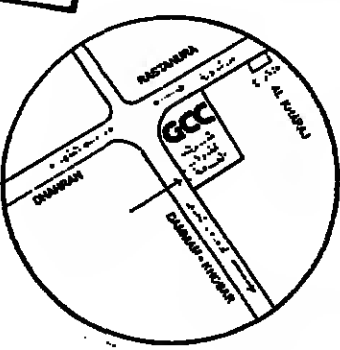
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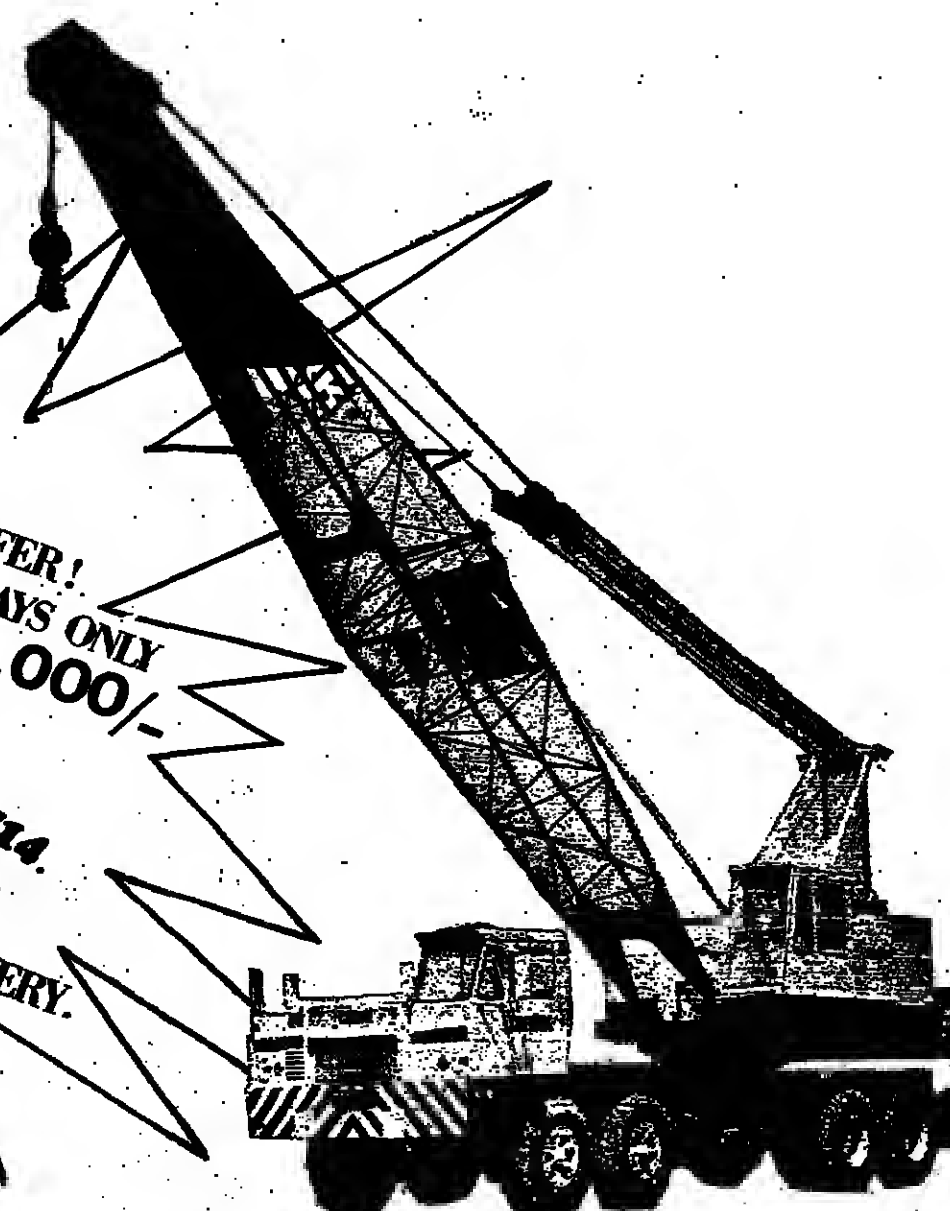
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Communist Party desertion splinters Rome government

ROME, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — The Communist Party withdrew its vital parliamentary support from Premier Giulio Andreotti Friday and Andreotti said the government would resign early next week, plunging Italy into a serious political crisis.

After a careful consideration of the facts, we reached the conclusion that our continued presence in the majority supporting this government would become impossible.

8,000 Rhodesian whites fled in '78

SALISBURY, Jan. 26 (AP) — A record number of some 8,000 Rhodesian whites, spurred by six years of war and prospect of black rule, left the country last year, official statistics released show.

The statistics report monthly emigration reached an all-time high last December, which coincided with the end of the cool year and the original deadline for black rule set by the transition government, and was postponed until next April. Officially recorded migration shows the tiny white population — outnumbered — more than 27 to one by the rapidly rising black population — dropped by five per cent last year to some 250,000, compared with a 1975 peak of 278,000. But official sources concede actual exodus is considerably higher, with an unknown number of whites "taking the road" — as emigration is termed locally — as vacationers who never return.

other four coalition parties. The Communists, whose support has been crucial for the government survival since their heavy election gains in 1976, accused Andreotti's Christian Democrats of steering the country to the right and failing to live up to past agreements.

What some politicians labelled as a "crisis in the dark" will undoubtedly open a lengthy period of inter-party talks and possibly lead to general elections two years ahead of schedule.

The Communists, who won 34 per cent of the votes at

the polls three years ago, just four percentage points behind the ruling party, unleashed their attack days after Christian Democrat Secretary Benigno Zaccagnini returned from a week-long tour in the United States.

In Washington, Zaccagnini met Vice President Walter Mondale and held other talks at the White House and at the State Department, pledging his party will never share government ministries with the Communists.

The crisis erupted as experts believed Italy might be nearing the end of its worst economic and financial slump in decades. Andreotti's performance gained him Communist antipathy but also brought inflation down from 16 to 12 per cent, led to dramatic improvements in the balance of payments and external trade and spurred industrial production.

But it failed to curb unemployment, a major cause of discontent for the Communists. The Communist move signalled the end of almost three years of collaboration between Italy's two largest parties.

Emigration has serious repercussions for the white-led military and white-controlled economy, under increasing strain from years of war and international trade embargoes.

According to some unofficial estimates, the white population may have shrunk to around 225,000, and could drop below 200,000 by the time the first black government is installed.

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Andrei Gromyko

Soviet heads plan official visit to Rome

ROME, Jan. 26 (R) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev and Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin have accepted an invitation to visit Italy, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko said Friday. He was speaking at Rome's Fiumicino Air port before flying back to Moscow at the end of a five-day official visit which he described as useful and positive.

Gromyko said the date for the visit had not yet been fixed but that he foresaw no problems. Gromyko said his conversations with Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and Foreign Minister Arnaldo Forlani had been friendly.

As time limit runs out

Israeli urges Bonn to extend Nazi hunt

BONN, Jan. 26 (R) — The head of Israel's Documentation Center for Nazi War Crimes has appealed to West Germany not to grant an amnesty to Nazi criminals.

Tuwhah Friedman said Thursday, "So long as the murderers live, so long as the victims live, there can be no question of forgiveness. The German people must not ask this of us." Friedman lost his mother, brother and sister in the Nazi

camp of Treblinka, Poland. He is in Bonn to present Israel's point of view while West Germany debates whether to extend the statute of limitations for murder. The statute makes prosecution of Nazi war criminals impossible 30 years after the crime.

If it is not amended there will be no new legal investigations of Nazi murders after the end of this year. Friedman said, "We seek no

revenge. All we ask is that these murderers keep their mouths shut until they die," adding that if the statute came into effect former Nazis could start boasting openly of their crimes.

West Germany's original statute of limitations for murder conferred immunity after 20 years, but in the case of Nazi crimes the 20-year period was originally held to have started in 1945 with the ending of

Teng leaves Sunday on historic U.S. tour

PEKING, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — Senior Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping leaves Peking for Washington early on Sunday morning on a trail-blazing flight to consolidate the new amicable relationship between China and the United States.

The 74-year-old vice-premier will be the first top Communist leader to pay an official visit to the United States, although two American presidents have already come to China in the past seven years — Richard Nixon in 1972 and Gerald Ford in 1975.

Teng did go to New York in 1974 to attend a meeting of the United Nations when he expounded for the first time the Maoist theory of international relations, dividing the globe into the superpowers, the developed Second World and the developing Third World.

This time, his mission is very different. He is putting the seal on the new relations between the world's most populous and most powerful nations after 30 years of hostility and gradual rapprochement.

Informal sources said he is due to leave Peking on Sunday aboard one of the Boeing-707s China bought from the U.S. seven years

ago. He is scheduled to arrive at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington on Sunday afternoon after refuelling stops at Shanghai and Anchorage. The official visit begins on Monday.

Groups ranging from anti-Communists to radical Maoists plan a barrage of protests when Teng arrives. But U.S. federal officials say Teng's entourage and the demonstrators probably will

never get within a block of one another as authorities plan to tightly control the protesters' movements. Secret Service and State Department officials were reluctant to discuss the security precautions.

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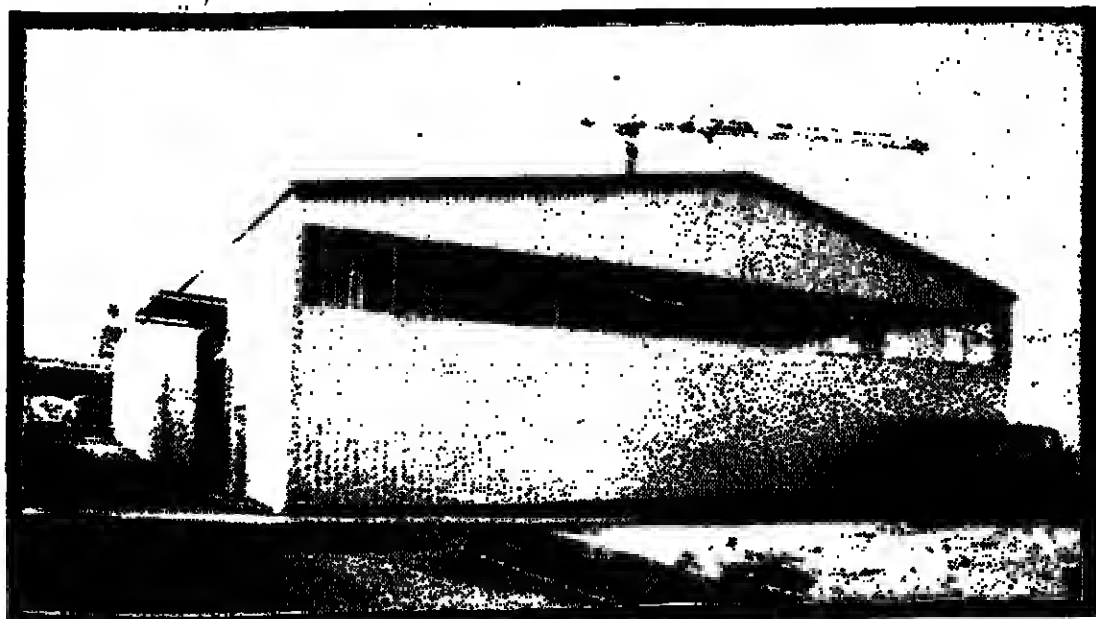
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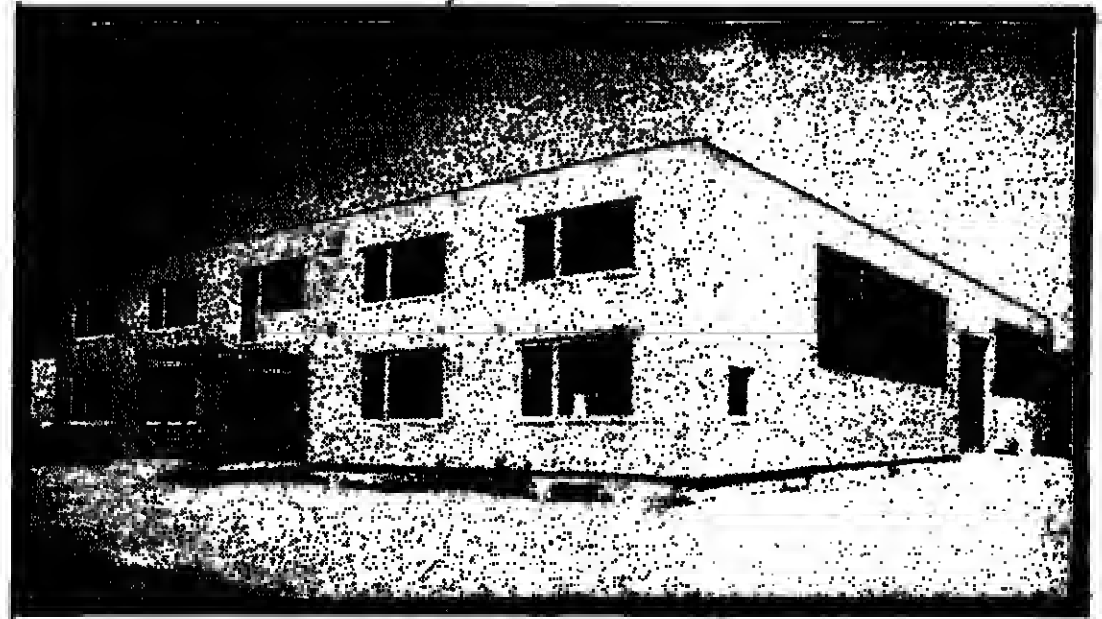
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BIG POWER PLAY

The once proud Shah rightly feels betrayed by the United States and President Carter in particular. He has realized too late that he has put all his eggs in one basket and that he has been made to pay for it. The case of the Shah once more underlines the danger of playing pawn in big power politics because the big powers are driven by the sole motive of protecting their own interests at the expense of everyone else.

The alternative is to keep the big powers at arm's length and to cooperate with them only to the point where cooperation remains balanced and mutually advantageous. The game of playing one big power against another is as dangerous as playing with one alone. A small nation can only depend on itself for its own survival, asking for and accepting favors from no one because no nation is loved for its blue (black) eyes but rather for its usefulness to others.

In Iran, the U.S. has committed the same mistakes that have caused it to lose influence and interests in many other parts of the world from central Africa, to Southeast Asia. At times, the only explanation becomes the most ludicrous one — the Washington administration suffering a color blindness that makes it unable to tell green from red.

What concerns the Arabs most is that the U.S. may be committing the same mistakes in their region right this minute with possible dangerous future repercussions. It remains determined to push ahead with an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty despite the clear opposition of the other Arab states. If the treaty is signed, the U.S. may create a more potentially dangerous situation than the one it has solved. At best, the peace treaty will give Egypt a good deal at the expense of every other Arab state. At worst, it will give Egypt a rotten deal and at the same time drive a wedge between Cairo and other Arab capitals. Somehow, the Carter administration still thinks that it can use the treaty as a first step toward general peace. It still hopes that Jordan, the Palestinians and Syria will eventually be lured into similar deals.

Meanwhile, the U.S. is piqued with its friends for not supporting Egypt in its negotiations with Israel. Instead of exerting pressure on the Begin government to make genuine concessions for peace that would make the treaty more palatable it is criticizing the moderate Arab states for staying on the sidelines. No one in the Middle East wants peace more than the moderate Arab states which are generally rich countries that would thrive in an era of calm and quiet. But there are limits to what such states can be requested to produce in the interest of the so-called peace. There are equal opposite pressures on them (which a friend should be able to see) and there are historical and religious considerations that will not be shelved under any circumstance and regardless of the consequences.

The case of Iraq does not make such states fear for the future and prepared to give up their principles. On the contrary, it makes them determined to preserve and protect their independence and freedom of decision.

Romanian defiance

By Peter Szabo

WASHINGTON — With outspoken criticism of the recent Vietnamese-led invasion of Cambodia, Romania once again has challenged the Soviet Union on a major point of international policy — a stance of defiance that is becoming increasingly frequent and open.

In the past few months, Romania has given a warm welcome to China's leader, Hua Guo-feng; has refused Kremlin demands for increased defense spending; and has approached the European Common Market for talks on a commercial pact. All of this is calculated to anger the Soviets.

With the new rift over events in Indochina, the gap between Moscow and Bucharest seems wider — in the view of specialists here — than at any time in the past decade.

While other Soviet allies speedily endorsed Vietnam's ouster of the Khmer Rouge government in Phnom Penh, a Romanian statement declared that the offensive was "a heavy blow for the prestige of socialism."

"No reasons and arguments whatsoever," the Romanians asserted, "can justify intervention and interference in the affairs of another state whatever their form, especially when two socialist countries are involved."

The Romanian language, analysts recalled, was similar to

that used at the time of the Soviet-led invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968, when Bucharest was rife with fears that it, too, might be attacked.

Obviously there is no such danger now. Yet Romania's alarm about the Soviet-backed Vietnamese action half a world away apparently reflects fears in Bucharest about a pattern of stronger Communist governments replacing weaker ones of which the Soviets disapprove.

For years, Romania's leader, Nicolae Ceausescu, has carefully crafted his country's independent foreign policy by taking, as one analyst put it, "two steps away from Moscow and one back." Lately, all the steps have been in one direction — away.

While the Kremlin no doubt is upset about the Romanian moves, U.S. officials have spotted no concrete Soviet moves to punish Ceausescu. "The Soviets have been surprisingly restrained in their response given the provocation," one senior official said.

Ceausescu has held no meetings with top Soviet officials since a Warsaw Pact summit in November.

Why Ceausescu has chosen to be so bold now is a bit of a puzzle.

For the Kremlin, the Romanian challenge is a persistent irritation, one that it has been unable to repress. — (WP)



Energy ignorance in America

By Bob Lebling
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Five years after OPEC's quadrupling of oil prices and the Arab oil embargo, U.S. policymakers still have a poor understanding of the relationship between international and domestic energy issues.

This is the conclusion of the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO), the congressional watchdog agency that recently released a comprehensive report on "The United States and International Energy Issues."

The report poses specific questions about 11 major global energy issues derived from a single central theme: "Are U.S. international energy and related policies consistent with domestic energy goals and national security, economic performance, and quality-of-life objectives?"

The GAO said it undertook the study "because of a concern that the international ramifications of U.S. energy problems are not yet adequately integrated into a coherent set of national energy policies."

By implication, the report is a slap at American policymakers, who have crafted a national energy strategy that many experts feel is confused, contradictory and in the final analysis inadequate.

These experts criticize Secretary James Schlesinger for presiding over an Energy Department widely regarded as the most inept and chaotic federal agency in Washington.

They also blame President Carter for failing to provide sufficient national leadership on energy issues, and Congress for adopting a parochial, politically motivated approach to national energy policy.

The sad truth is that the U.S. government is not only unprepared to cope with this problem but is also perhaps years away from undertaking a systematic analysis that would enable policymakers to make informed and effective decisions on global energy issues.

The GAO, in its report, urges that such an analysis be undertaken of each of the 11 major energy issues it has identified.

"While each is sufficiently important to be singled out for separate analysis," it adds, "all are interrelated in important ways. Consequently, the result of work in one area is likely to have significant implications for the understanding of other key issues."

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Significantly, the GAO team negotiated to seek input from energy experts in any of the OPEC countries (apart from OPEC Secretary General Ali Jaidah, who was interviewed in Vienna, Austria).

For this reason, the report shows a clear bias in some of the questions it poses — questions that raise doubts about the stability of certain OPEC countries and express ill-concealed paranoia about OPEC investments in the United States.

But by and large, the GAO report raises crucial issues which American policymakers must seriously consider before embarking on a global energy strategy.

The study is frustrating in one sense: it answers none of the questions it poses. (Although in some cases, the report points the way toward possible solutions.)

The implication is that many of the major international energy issues require far more study than has been undertaken thus far.

It is rather shocking that, this far down the road, the United States has to admit that it has no clear idea where it is going in terms of long-range energy strategy.

"Although the United States plays a leadership role in world affairs, five years after the Arab oil embargo and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' price hikes that followed, it still has not developed energy policies that significantly reduce the impact of U.S. consumption on global supplies," the report declares.

"Other governments" are deeply troubled by what they perceive as the inability of the United States to act resolutely to solve its energy problems, to recognize their energy needs, and to realize how American energy demand affects them and the world economy.

The GAO report notes that the U.S. relies far more heavily on imported energy today than it did at the time of the oil embargo. At the beginning of this decade, oil imports accounted for only 23 percent of U.S. petroleum consumption and 10 percent of the country's gross energy consumption. Today, imported oil makes up almost half of the nation's petroleum consumption and almost 25 percent of U.S. gross energy use.

"Moreover," says the report, "indications are that, by the mid-1980s, (the U.S.) could be nearly twice again as dependent on imported energy as it is now."

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Saudis investing abroad

By Dr. Ali Johany

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DHAHRAN—

The casual observer of the Saudi economy must be wondering why a large number of private Saudi citizens are investing some of their savings abroad, where the average rates of return on their investment are far less than what they can realize within the Kingdom. To be sure, the bulk of private savings is still being employed to produce domestic goods and services. Nevertheless, any amount of domestic funds that seeks foreign outlets, at the time when the Saudi government is doing its utmost to encourage private domestic investment, must be explained.

It may take years, if ever, before we know the full explanation. But here are some of the factors that may shed light on this behavior.

First, individuals and business firms may invest abroad for the sake of diversification. That is, an investor may not want to put "all of his eggs in one basket." Thus he may prefer a lower average rate of return on his investment abroad and on his investment at home to a higher rate of return on domestic investment alone.

The majority of investors are not worried about political instability or risks of expropriation in Saudi Arabia. By any standards, Saudi Arabia is politically a very stable community and its commitment to the respect of private property rights is firm and certain. What may worry investors, however, are economic forces that are beyond Saudi Arabia's control, such as fluctuations in oil prices and political upheaval in other countries.

Second, while financial rates of return on domestic investment in Saudi Arabia are certainly higher than what they are in Europe or in America, that does not tell the whole story. A businessman, like everyone else for that matter, does not only think of his rates of

return but is also concerned with the amount of the non-financial costs he has to incur before he reaps the financial fruits of his efforts.

And in Saudi Arabia, non-financial costs are substantial. A Saudi businessman for instance, has to work longer hours and under less favorable conditions than his counterparts in Europe and America. The reason: He has to do almost everything himself. Able assistants are either very expensive or simply not available at any price.

There are also other problems that Saudi businessmen must contend with, not the least of which is the familiar, but nevertheless very annoying, bureaucratic red tape. For example, a contractor may spend hours of his valuable time waiting to see a petty clerk who will not immediately receive him and who is causing the delay of the long overdue payments.

We can also think of the difficulties that a businessman faces before he is able to get entry visas for his expatriate employees. That is not to say that entry visas should be granted immediately and easily, since there may exist good security reasons for the delay. It is to say, however, that the long process which is required before visas are granted does increase the cost of doing business in Saudi Arabia.

The high administrative costs of doing business here may explain why many foreign companies establish their regional headquarters outside the Kingdom, even when Saudi Arabia is the biggest market for their products.

In short, some Saudi investors are willing to forego some financial return for convenience and ease of doing business in other countries.

Some commentators have alleged that academic economics is irrelevant to a businessman because it is only concerned with the financial side of doing business. But that is not true. When an economist tells you that a businessman, just like

any other member of society, maximizes his utility rather than his wealth, what he means is that people worry about other things in life in addition to wealth.

Third: Sometimes foreign investment is undertaken to increase a domestic firm's foreign prestige and thereby add to its future domestic income. That is, a firm may be interested in a foreign venture for the sake of establishing connections with foreign firms. Very frequently, the help of more experienced foreign firms is badly needed by domestic firms for the purpose of ranking and successfully carrying out their domestic investment.

Fourth: Traditionally, land was the most desirable outlet for private excess funds in Saudi Arabia. Many people have learned that investing savings by buying land took very little effort, required no exceptional talent, and resulted in high rates of return. But toward the beginning of last year, the value of land had ceased to increase, and that lessened the attractiveness of buying land as a means of investment.

Saudi investors will find it desirable to invest some of their cash abroad even when the rates of return on similar domestic investment are higher. They do so because the purpose of investing is to maximize one's wealth with the least possible "headache." And investing in domestic Saudi projects, in spite of the government's effort to make it worthwhile may result in high financial rates of return, but will also require greater personal efforts on the part of the investor.

Some of those who chose to invest outside the Kingdom must have decided that the additional nonfinancial costs of doing business here are high enough to compensate for the lower rates of return on their foreign investment. If that is not the motive of some other investors, then they may have decided on foreign investment for diversification purposes or for the purpose of acquiring foreign know-how.

Alaskan oil for Israel

By J. P. Smith

WASHINGTON—

The United States will consider selling Alaskan oil to Israel if Israel asks for assistance in meeting its energy requirements following the cutoff of shipments from its principal supplier, Iran.

The United States promised, as part of the 1975 Sinai accords, to act as Israel's supplier of last resort if that country were cut off from other sources. State Department spokesman Hodding Carter told reporters recently that Israel so far has not asked the United States to honor that pledge.

Nevertheless, a senior inter-agency planning group has been weighing methods of meeting that request, should it be made.

The sale of Alaskan crude is one option under consideration. Others include using U.S. good offices to encourage non-Arab oil exporters to sell to Israel, or selling the Israeli oil from U.S. government-owned reserves on public lands.

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Iran, the world's largest non-Arab oil exporting country, had been supplying Israel 80,000 barrels a day—more than half of Israel's daily consumption—until the recent civil disturbance that shut down Iranian oil production.

Iranian opposition leaders, including Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiar and religious leader Ayatullah Ruhollah Khomeini, have repeatedly said that once Iran's oil production is restored they would not permit sales to Israel or South Africa.

One senior administration official, who asked not to be identified, characterized the Israeli oil situation as "serious but not yet extreme." At the Energy Department, another official said, "The Israelis have only received a few shipments of oil from Iran since November."

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could be forced to in the months ahead if they have continuing difficulty buying oil from non-Arab sources.

The Israelis also pump nearly 40,000 barrels a day in oil from the Alma oil fields in the occupied Sinai desert. But these fields would eventually be returned to Egypt if an Israeli-Egyptian peace settlement is reached.

The U.S. Energy Department says that Israel imported an average of 125,000 barrels of oil a day over the last year.

Thus far, Israel has been able to make up much of the differences through oil purchases from Mexico's state-run oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos, amounting to about 45,000 barrels a day, and from unnamed African and Latin American oil exporters.

Details about Israel's oil supply arrangements are closely held for fear that disclosure could result in public pressure from Arab producers in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to cut Israel off. (WP)

saudi press review

The pro-Shah demonstrations in Tehran "constitute a turning point in the situation in Iran," according to "Okaz."

"This development may signify a popular desire to restore legitimacy in the form of the present government of Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiar who is supported by parliament."

The paper could also see a "silver lining" in the decision of religious opposition leader Ayatullah Khomeini to postpone his return to Iran for the time being "as this would give Bakhtiar a respite during which he could restore law and order leading to stability after the turmoil of the last few months."

"While it may be difficult for any political observer to speculate on the beneficiary of the current events in the country, it would seem that the Iranian people themselves are now in control of the situation and the big power game has

come to an end or is about to."

"Al-Bilad" believes that the current phase in Iran "is more serious and certainly more important than the one that has just ended with the departure of the Shah that was intended to contain the explosive situation in the country."

"The danger lies, according to the paper, in the potential for conflict between the Bakhtiar government backed by the army and the religious leadership of Khomeini. Political developments may include an army coup if Bakhtiar loses parliamentary support. The other possibility is that Bakhtiar and Khomeini may conclude an agreement to extricate the country from the present chaos and restore normalcy. But a drastic change will have to be made not only in the political structure but in the country's legal system as well. If a rapprochement fails

Khomeini may announce his own government and this may split the army and force the dissolution of parliament which would lead to a political vacuum in the country.

This could only be detrimental to the people. In the meantime, the people should be aware of Communists who are already engaged in acts of subversion."

"Al-Jazirah" quoted a statement by U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown before Congress and appeared to concur with his view that the Soviet Union "was about to launch a campaign to undermine the established authorities in the Gulf region. But the people of the Gulf," the paper said, "are capable of confronting this ideological onslaught by virtue of their unity of belief and religion. Foreign attempts at interference will fail as miserably as they

did in Somalia and in Eritrea where Ethiopian lackeys tried to suppress the Eritrean voice of freedom."

Calling for greater coordination and fuller integration among Gulf states, "Al-Bilad"

said that the region "has become the focus of superpower designs and ambitions... and sometimes, plain blackmail."

"Without complete integration, the region would always provide opportunities for foreign infiltration in various forms. It is our right to demand the maximum level of integration as we are in dire need of unity to safeguard our security and stability," the paper said.



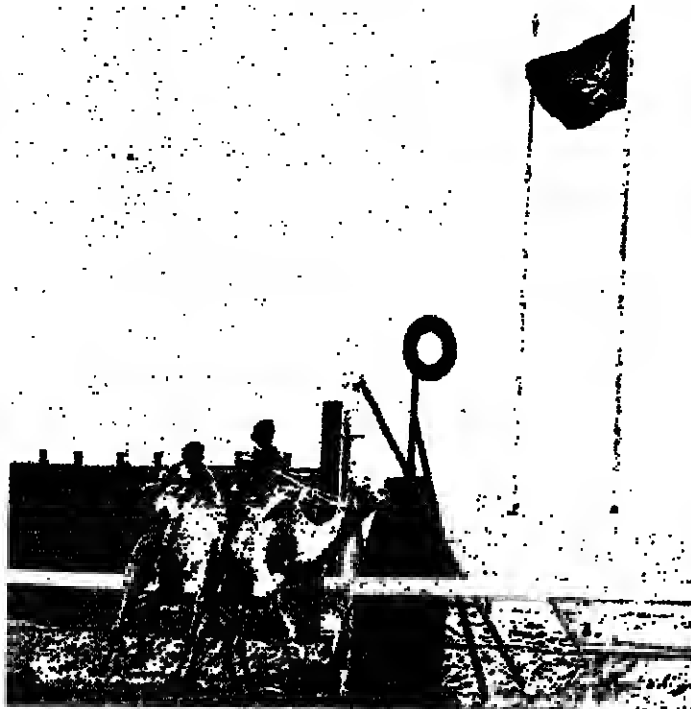
Letterday fountain: —AL-BILAD

A day at the Riyadh camel races

Photos by Dick Massey



A 15-year-old jockey and his mount



The winners

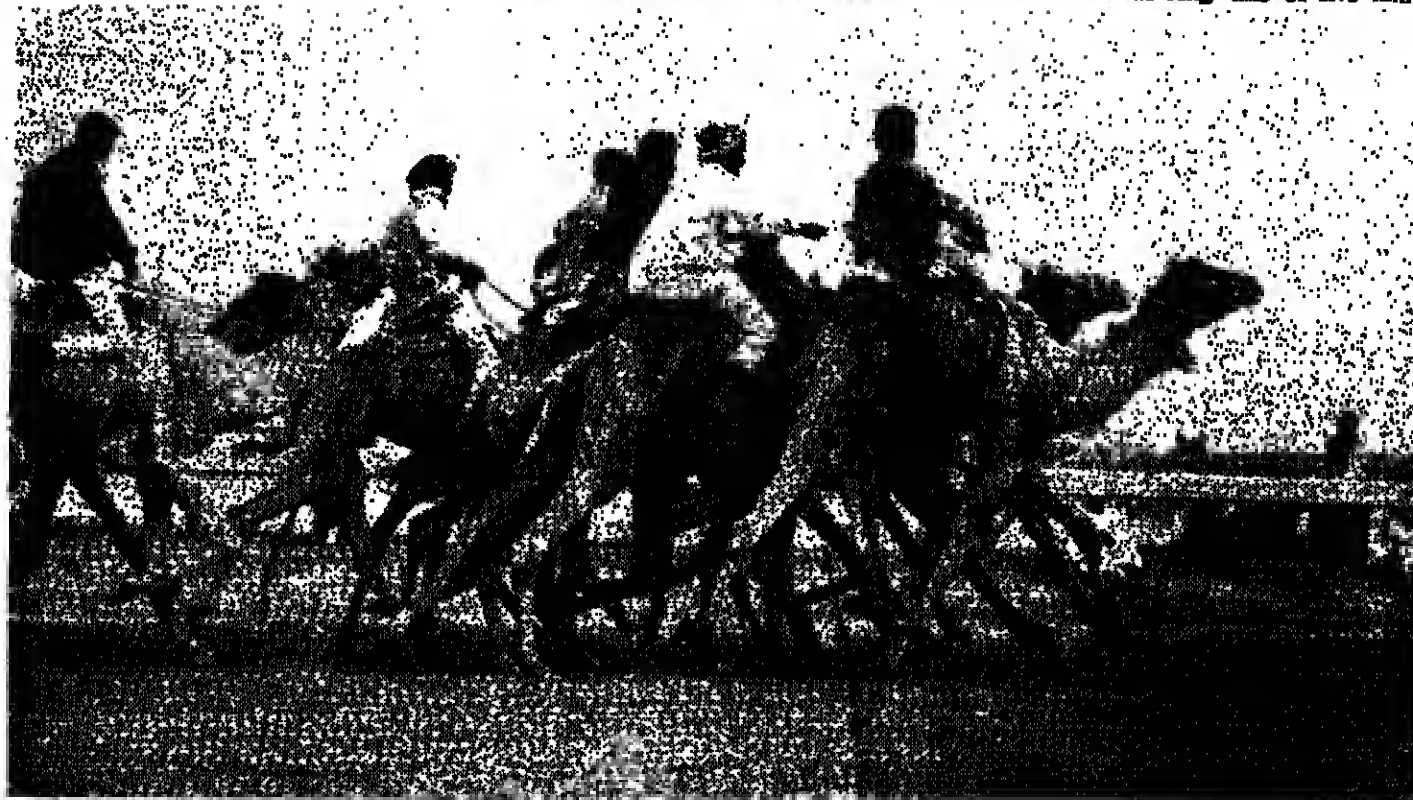
By Joyce Prince
RIYADH — Suleiman, a nine-year-old camel jockey, waited, patiently holding the reins of the six-year-old racing camel Latam. He talked quietly with his friends. Would he have been so calm had he known that in an hour and a half he would ride to the finish line victorious over 12 other riders?

His leather whip in hand, and bright red shirt whipping in the mid-winter afternoon breeze, Suleiman carried the red banner of Prince Faisal bin Khateeb bin Abdul Aziz. The 3,000-meter course of the Makkah stadium seemed to be a passing breeze for his camel as he finished first with a winning time of five minutes, 28 seconds, securing for his owner the first prize of SR1,250. Latam edged out Safran by scarcely a camel's length in the closely run race, Safran being ridden by 11-year-old Marshoud who received for his owner the prize SR625.

If you have not been following the 1978-79 season of the Riyadh Camel Races, you have missed something. With new paint, flower gardens, white rod-iron fences and comfortable, roomy bleachers, Riyadh's five race course heralds a place where the traditional sports of racing, both camel and horse, can be enjoyed by young and old.

There are usually 10 to 15 female racing camels in each race, white in color, called "the racing camel." She is slightly built with long thin legs for speed. When moving at full speed she resembles a gazelle with head held straight out in front almost parallel to her hump. When fully stretched she can run approximately 30 kilometers an hour. Most of the camels participating in the races are six to eight years old. A racing camel is seldom over ten years of age. Camel jockeys — usually from around Riyadh — range in age between eight and 15. They tend and feed the camels during the week after school, and a few days before the scheduled race spend a few hours each day riding and racing.

The 1978-79 Camel and Horse Racing season opened in October under the auspices of the Riyadh Equestrian Club with from one to three camel races being held each Monday afternoon at 3:00 p.m., followed by three to five horse races. The races are open to the public, with tickets selling for SR 5.



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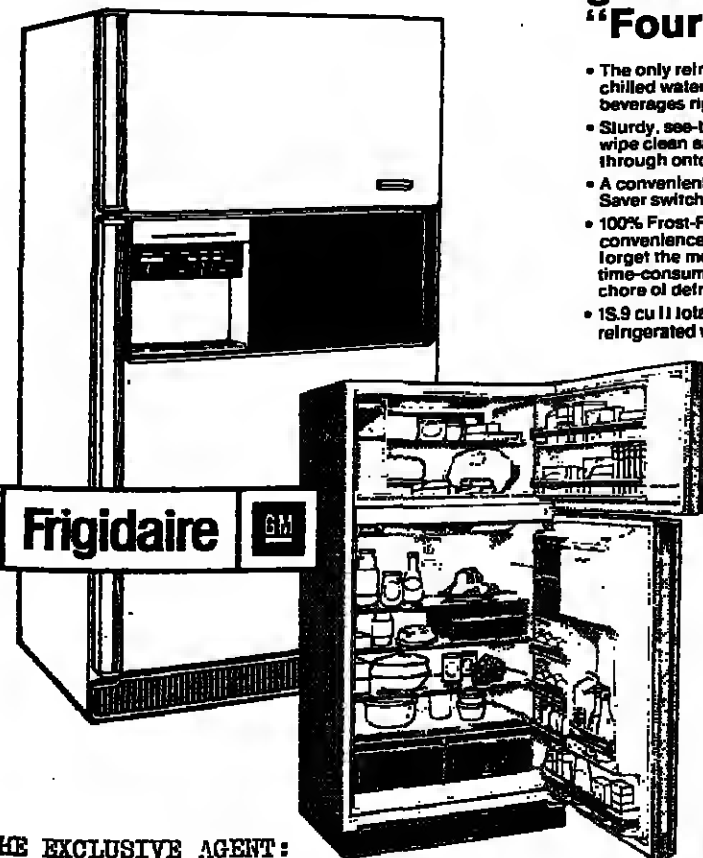


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Low-flying, elusive--and unidentified

By Ward Sinclair
and Art Harris

WASHINGTON — During two weeks in 1975, a string of the United States' supersensitive nuclear missile launch sites and bomber bases were visited by unidentified, low-flying and elusive objects, according to Defense Department reports.

The sightings, made visually and on radar by air and ground crews, occurred at installations in Montana, Michigan and Maine, and led to extensive but unsuccessful air force attempts to track and detain the objects.

Air Force and Defense Department records variously describe the objects as helicopters, aircraft, unknown entities and brightly lighted, fast-moving vehicles that hovered over nuclear weapons storage areas and evaded all pursuit efforts.

In several instances, after base security had been penetrated, the Air Force sent fighter planes and airborne command planes aloft to carry on the unsuccessful pursuit. The records do not indicate if the fighters fired on the intruders.

The documents also give no indication that the airspace incursions provoked much more than local command concern. But a Nov. 11, 1975, directive from the office of U.S. Secretary of the Air Force instructed public information staffers to avoid linking the scattered sightings unless specifically asked.

The Defense Department position, stated in that memo and reiterated this month by a departmental spokesman, is that formal investigation of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) ended in 1969 and that there were no plans for renewed air force investigation.

Yet another Air Force intelligence report indicated extensive interest in a 1976 incident over Iran, when two Iranian air force F-4 Phantom fighter planes were scrambled to encounter a brightly lighted object in the skies near Tehran.

The object was tracked by

Iranian ground radar, seen independently by the crew of a commercial airliner and pursued by the F-4s, which, according to the report, experienced a breakdown of their electronic communications devices when they neared the object.

The report, compiled by American officials, said that the electronic weapons system of one of the planes went dead when its pilot prepared to fire an AIM-9 missile at a smaller object that appeared to roar out from the larger vehicle.

The planes' electronic equipment reportedly became operative after they veered away from the smaller object, which had returned to the larger light, the report said. Iranians described the larger object, with colored, fast-flashing lights, as the size of a Boeing 707 jetliner.

The information on the 1975 and 1976 sightings — records from the air force and the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) — was turned over to Groundsaurer Watch (GSW), a Phoenix-based organization that monitors UFO reports.

GSW obtained the information through a freedom-of-information request to the air force, one of a number it has made to government agencies involved in UFO investigations. A similar request to the CIA, made both by GSW and "The Washington Post," resulted in the CIA's turning over almost 900 pages of documents related to its monitoring of UFO reports since the 1950s.

The CIA was directed by a U.S. District Court judge here last year to turn over to Groundsaurer Watch UFO data unrelated to national security.

The agency, according to GSW officials and attorneys, apparently has withheld some UFO records, and GSW says it intends to seek further court action in the case.

The CIA documents are largely a collection of world-wide intelligence reports, news-

paper articles and agency memoranda relating to UFO sightings and theories of extraterrestrial life.

The CIA's position, reiterated by a spokesman, is that it has had no involvement with UFOs since 1953, when a special study panel concluded that they presented no threat to national security.

While memos from as recently as 1977 are included in the 879 pages the CIA spokesman said the agency continues to be "a passive recipient" of UFO data, even though none of the material is analyzed.

Todd Zechel, a GSW investigator and director of another organization, Citizens Against UFO Secrecy, said "We've had to pry loose every item of information we have. I am inclined to believe the govern-

ment doesn't know any more about UFOs than we do, but if UFOs are what they say — nothing — why don't they open their files totally?"

Zechel and William Spaulding, a Phoenix engineer and director of GSW, said that



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States.

"I don't work too hard," he assured his interviewer, producing his road diary, a neatly arranged loose-leaf book into which engagements, works to be played and conductors' names are neatly typed, day by day. A quick glance proved the point: much of Galway's season is spent at home in Lucerne, Switzerland, with his wife and their three children.

Having spent some time recently talking to a trombonist about the physical deterioration in playing apparatus that wind players faces as they grow older, we asked Galway about the inevitable winding down.

"A breakdown of the apparatus does occur, eventually. In my case, I expect to stop playing long before that."

"You see, for me, there are lots of things to be done, apart from playing the flute. I'm quite good at talk shows, for example. Last year, I made a one-hour film for the BBC, with some friends, in which I was host and also played nine pieces. We did it in one shot, with no retakes. "Of course, a show like that is like a golden handshake. Do you know what I mean? I was paid for doing it, and then the show itself turned out to be publicity and exposure for me of considerable value."

What else does he have up his sleeve?

"Many projects. We're always thinking and planning. One project dear to me is a film, probably for children, on a piper story. We have people working on it." (LAT)

James Galway on the flute

By Daniel Carling

LOS ANGELES—"Three men came down to my recital in London. They were mechanics—had a garage outside the city, they said. Told me they had bought my recording of 'Tight of the Bumblebee' and that that had led them to 'The Four Seasons' and that recording to Mozart. Before that, they had never even heard of Mozart." Now they were listening to his music every day at their garage.

"Can you imagine? Their lives were changed."

You can call James Galway a media star if you like. He won't mind. The bearded flutist from Ireland says he wants to do whatever it takes "to bring music to the people," people like the garagemen who discovered Classical music through his recordings, adding, "sure, I play for the converted. I'm more interested in playing in order to convert others."

For more than three years, since Galway resigned as principal flutist of the Berlin Philharmonic (where he played under Karajan for six years), the charismatic musician has pursued his mission, using an outgoing stage manner, certain effective gimmicks—like four 18-karat gold instruments valued at \$18,000 or more apiece—television appearances and countless magazine and newspaper interviews to spread the word.

"Sure, we planned this whole thing, my manager, Michael Emerson, and I," the bearded, 39-year-old confided in his thick but far from impenetrable brogue on a recent afternoon. Galway had

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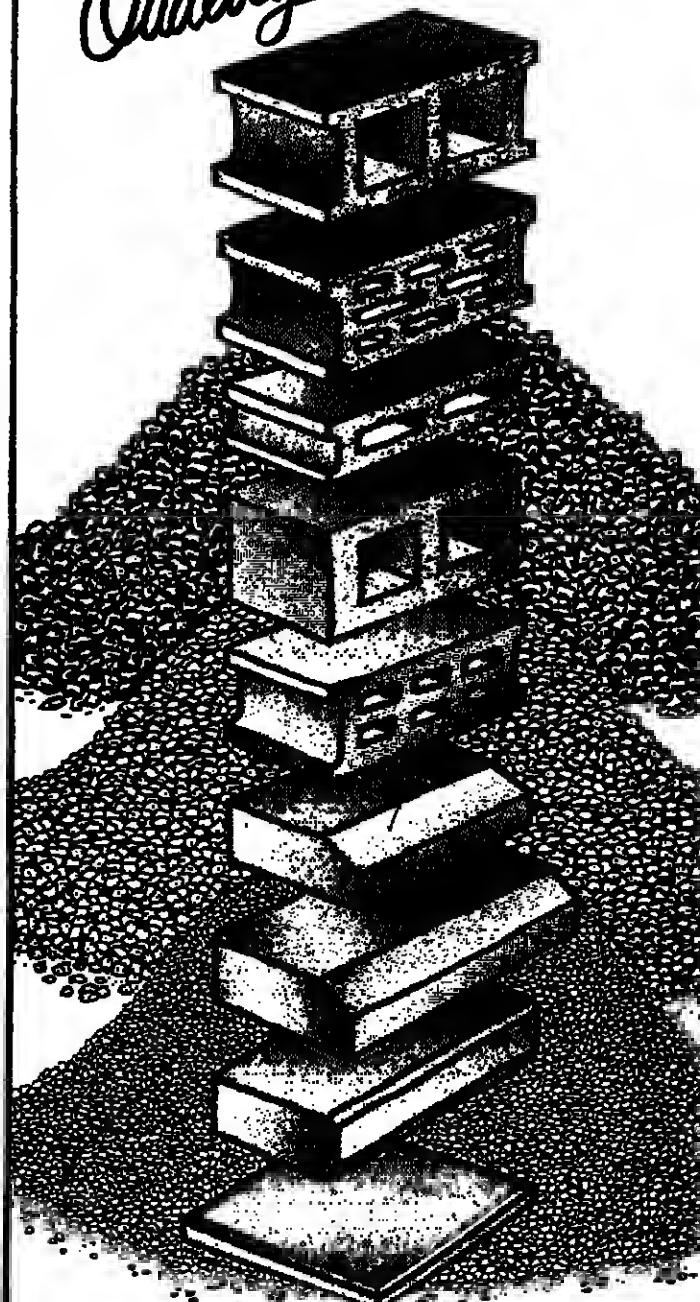
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In Lancia

Phenomenal drive gives Darniche Monte win

MONTE CARLO, Jan. 26 (UPI) — Frenchman Bernard Darniche driving a Lancia Stratos staged the most dynamic finish in the history of the most famous auto rally Friday to snatch victory by six seconds in the 47th Monte Carlo Rally.

Darniche won all ten speed trials on the final night's stage to overtake five competitors including Sweden's Bjorn Waldegard in a Ford Escort, who had led Darniche by 6 minutes 27 seconds before the final night.

"Waldegard seems to be utterly untouchable," said Darniche before getting off on his epic drive. "But I'm going to drive as well as I can tonight to make up for my middle-order placing."

The 37-year-old Parisian, European rally champion two years ago, was not one of the favorites before the race. His best placing in his regular appearances in the event was third in 1976.



EARLY LEADERS: Hannu Mikkola of Finland in his Ford Escort corners at speed during the grueling fourth day, Tuesday. He was overhauled Wednesday by team-mate Bjorn Waldegard and finished in fifth place.

But he ended with a time of 8 hours, 13 minutes and 38 seconds. Waldegard was second in 8:13:42 and third was Finn Markku Alen in a Fiat 131 Abarth, recording 8:17:47, a determined performance from a competitor who was suffering from suspected appendicitis last weekend.

But it was still Darniche's night. The conditions of frequent snow, rain and icy roads which had hampered the 233 starters since they left nine countries last Saturday became less harsh. Instead competitors set off on their 10 tests on a pleasantly warm Mediterranean night and on comparatively dry roads.

But Darniche and navigator Alain Mahé exploited the full power of the Stratos, specially designed for and a winner of all the major rallies, and steadily overhauled the leaders in tests after test.

West Germany's Walter Rohrl, who had been lying third in a Fiat 121, dropped out of the event during the final speed test.

In the near-dry, conditions but with treacherous patches of old ice and snow, drivers usually had a choice between racing tires or lightly studded tires.

Darniche gambled on using racing tires as often as possible in an all-or-nothing assault, while Waldegard tended to use the slower studded tires more often.

There were also reports that his service crew did not have the right choice of tires available for the final test, the last run over the famous Turin pass. Darniche started the run 15 seconds behind the Swede and finished with the winning six second margin.



Trevor Francis

Doubt reigns over Francis

BIRMINGHAM, England, Jan. 26 (R) — First Division Birmingham Friday placed England striker Trevor Francis, whom they value at one million pounds (\$2 million), on the transfer list after announcing less than 24 hours earlier it had rejected an offer of 900,000 pounds for him from neighbor Coventry City.

Birmingham's catastrophic position at the bottom of the league, with all signs pointing to relegation, has revived speculation it might part with the 24-year-old Francis, who has suffered a string of injuries since a League debut at only 16. A huge cash offer would enable the club to acquire two or three players around whom it could build a new side.

Exactly what has happened in the past 24 hours, however, is unclear and brought conflicting statements from club and player.

The club statement, issued while chairman Keith Coombes was trapped somewhere in the snow, said: "Trevor Francis has now indicated that he does not wish to remain with Birmingham City any longer and the board, therefore, have now, very reluctantly decided to place him on the transfer list."

Francis promptly retorted that the statement implied he had asked for a transfer. "I have not — and I have talked on the phone with the chairman to make sure that this point is confirmed."

But Francis disclosed that he had discussed his future with the chairman last week, adding "I put it to him that it would be in the best interests of the club to take the money because it was in my mind an offer they could not refuse."

"I've played in," said Jerry McGee. "And Tommy Aaron said nothing at all. He just smiled shyly."

Aaron, who hasn't won since the 1973 Masters who had to qualify to get in this event, fought the winds — estimated by one tournament official at 50 mph in gusts — and the biting cold for a 3-under-par 69 that made him a 2-shot leader after Thursday's first round of the \$250,000 Andy Williams-San Diego Golf tournament.

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West Bromwich storm brews over planned black-white game

LONDON, Jan. 26 (AP) — A proposed soccer match between Britain's best black soccer players and an all-white West Bromwich Albion team has been attacked by a local politician.

West Bromwich Manager Ron Atkinson had proposed that West Bromwich's three black stars—Laurie Cunningham, Cyril Regis and Brendan Batson—should form an all-black side to play the rest of the West Bromwich team in a testimonial match for long-serving West Bromwich player Len Cantello.

But the proposal was Friday attacked as "tasteless" by the chairman of the local community relations council, Bob Badham, chairman of the Sandwell CRC, said he was surprised at the suggestion because Albion's mixed team had done much for the cause of integration.

"It can only be an innocent mistake," said Badham. "And I hope the club will have second thoughts. A match of this kind could easily be used by certain sections of the community to make political capital and there could well be trouble in the crowd."

"It is most disturbing. The club seems to have overlooked the implications of what Ron Atkinson has suggested," Atkinson's suggestion was that Regis, Cunningham and Batson should form an all-black team, with their places in the West Bromwich team being taken by white guest players.

Atkinson said that the three

black players were strongly in favor of the match, which would reward Cantello's loyalty and encourage young black footballers.

Stoke City star Garth Crooks, one of the players selected for the black side, said: "I am very proud to have been selected. I regard it as an honour. Testimonials are meant to be attractive matches and this would interest lots of people. As for troublemakers, they get enough publicity and should be ignored. Politics should be left to politicians. This would just be a game of football played for a fellow professional."

Like all testimonials, the match would have to be sanctioned by the English Football Association (FA).

Sir Harold Thompson, chairman of the FA, said: "If there were evidence that the

National Front (an ultra right-wing political party) or anyone else were going to take advantage, we would have to give the matter careful thought."

Meanwhile, Cunningham, 22, was Friday included in the squad from which the England team to play northern Ireland in the European Soccer Championship in London on Feb. 7 will be chosen.

Cunningham is the only player among the 21 who has not previously played for England.

If manager Ron Greenwood prefers him to Peter Barrois in the final eleven, Cunningham would be the second black player to wear a full England shirt, after defender Viv Anderson of Nottingham Forest, who made his debut in the friendly match against Czechoslovakia last November.

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Scheckter to rest

MEARANELLO, Italy, Jan. 26 (AP) — South African Formula One ace Jody Scheckter, still suffering from an aching wrist, gave up tests of the brand-new Ferrari T-4 model after turning 15 laps at the Fiorano track near here Thursday.

Ferrari said Scheckter will rest until next weekend to be fit for the Brazilian Grand Prix.

Scheckter suffered a bad wrist contusion in a pileup at the start of the Argentine Grand Prix at Buenos Aires last Sunday.

Crucial call saves Seattle win

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP) — The Seattle SuperSonics got a big call from referee Jess Kersey at Atlanta Thursday night, preserving their 100-98 National Basketball Association victory over the Hawks.

Guard Gus Williams, who scored 28 points for Seattle, hit a 15-footer with 28 seconds remaining to give the Sonics a 99-98 lead and sank a free throw with seven seconds left for a two-point advantage.

Then came the crucial call. Atlanta guard Arnold Hill took a jumper at the buzzer that would have sent the game into overtime, but Kersey waved off the basket, ruling that Hill had run out before the shot left Hill's hands.

Hawks forward John Drew had 39 points to lead all scorers, while Fred Brown contributed 17 points to the Seattle attack.

The victory was Seattle's fourth straight and sixth in a row on the road. Atlanta now has lost three straight since having a six-game winning streak broken Sunday in New Orleans.

In other NBA games Thursday night, the Detroit Pistons beat the Los Angeles Lakers, 135-100, and the Portland Trail Blazers defeated the Golden State Warriors, 108-103.



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American runner-up

Proell wins 5th straight ski race

SCHRUNS, Austria, Jan. 26 (AP) — Austria's Annemarie Moser-Proell, 25, Friday won her fifth World Cup downhill in a row, 2:35 seconds ahead of America's Cindy Nelson, 22.

Proell picked up no World Cup points for the achievement, because only three races count. But she won 25 points for winning the combined,

which is awarded to the best overall performance in both downhill and slalom.

She was third in the slalom here Tuesday.

Her new World Cup total is 180.

She clocked 1:21.99 minutes on the 2,115-meter-long trail. Nelson clocked 1:24.34, five hundredths of a second ahead of West Germany's Irene

Eppler, who had 1:24.39 of her amazing downhill supremacy, Proell said only. "I have a lot of self-confidence. I don't think that anything can happen to me on a downhill trail."

There were several spectacular tumbles, including Swiss skiers Doris de Agosini and Evelyn Dirren, and West Germany's Christa Zechmeister. Proell's five downhill victories in a row matched that of Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden, who has won five giant slaloms one after another this season. But Proell is the most successful World Cup skier in both the women's and men's division. She has 59 World Cup victories.

In the combined tabulation, Nelson was runner-up to Proell, picking up 20 more points in this. The American girl's new World Cup total was 34, which elevated her to fifth place overall, behind second-placed Hanni Wenzel of Liechtenstein, 130, third-placed Marie-Theres Nadig of Switzerland, 119, and fourth-placed Claudia Giordani, Italy, 85.

Aaron shoots miracle 69 in typhoon Pacific event

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 26 (AP) — The players fought for balance and leaned into the howling winds that whipped off the Pacific and lashed the trees and greens jutting on headlands over the surf.

They talked not of birds and pars but of survival. "It was actually frightening," said 47-year-old Billy Casper, his portly bulk bundled under two sweaters and a wind-breaker.

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I've played in," said Jerry McGee.

And Tommy Aaron said nothing at all. He just smiled shyly.

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"I was just trying to get in," said the 41-year-old Aaron.

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Dutch official: We work very hard and fight for orders

Dutch businessmen are generally a little gloomy about economic future and exports. Businessmen often tend to take their own problems more seriously than other people's and for many of them it is very difficult to accept that Holland cannot compete more with all her products.

At meetings, K.H. Beyen, the Dutch secretary of state for trade promotion, tries to cheer up the pessimists. His "positivism" is natural to most bankers. Former head of Foreign Affairs for the AMRO Bank, and liberal statesman, Mr. Beyen is well equipped to grasp the Netherlands' export problems. Besides export-promotion, his job is to bring foreign policy chosen to export needs, and to make Dutch businessmen more confident about private initiatives. He is now leading the Dutch Expo ship tour of the Gulf.

According to him the Dutch should by no means feel defeated. They should appreciate the problems, and realize that they can be overcome in a joint effort.

The future depends he said in a lengthy interview with "Arab News", on the growth of world-trade and on the demand for Dutch products abroad. Beyen is moderately optimistic about the development of this world-trade, certainly as far as 1979 is concerned.

"Most experts agree with that", says Beyen: The German economy already shows signs of recovery and Holland will experience positive results from this. On the other hand, our exports can only be kept up if our expenses do not rise any further and if the government checks the progress within the savings program.

"I am no expert on the economies of the Arab countries, but it seems to me that our exports to those countries will be maintained on the same level. Their tremendous income, is being used for the development of their industry and agriculture. This will result in an economic upswing, enabling the oil-countries to form economically strong units. As such they

will become increasing outlets for our firms in all fields."

Q: Would they not become serious competitors for Holland? The oil-countries are very interested in petrochemical products and Holland already has over-capacity.

A: That is always possible when you transfer your technology to others. There is every chance then that the others are going to compete in your own market or in the Third World countries.... But you cannot stop such a development by not supplying the know-how because we are not the only country to have this and the Arabs don't depend on Holland only. We can merely hope that the outlets for their products and the development of the Third World will be such as not to turn their exports completely against us.

Q: United States and Japan have less over-capacity. Do you think they will be more inclined to supply the necessary know-how?

A: Those countries have as much to lose. I don't think that it is a question of restraint in our country. Arab countries buy the technical know-how, equipment and anything else they meet wherever they can get the best and the cheapest. Sometimes this includes Dutch products.

Q: Is the decline of the Dutch share in world-trade due to the fact that they have let things get on ahead of them?

A: "I absolutely disagree with that. The enormous growth of the EEC has been a big advantage for Dutch industry where it could supply goods at competitive prices. But, lack of capacity and manpower in the sixties and the early seventies has meant, our industry could not possibly produce more for the rest of the world. My impression is that many firms are working very hard now and that they have to fight to get orders; they are admittedly only partially successful.

In is a fact that our share in the growth of world-trade has decreased. We should try to check the progress of this sad development, but we should not forget that, with the Third World countries get a continually bigger share of total world-trade — and that is the purpose of their develop-



Dutch Secretary of State for Trade Promotion K. H. Beyen

ment policy, isn't it? — It is inevitable that countries with a previous bigger share will have to put up with less in the future. The entire cake will be cut differently, and Holland is not the only country that has seen its share decrease.

Q: Third World countries mainly export low-quality, semi-manufactured products. Does this mean that Holland should change its export-package to high-quality products?

A: I am convinced that countries like Holland which have reached a high standard of development, will turn to technologically advanced products of high-quality. We will progressively stop exporting products that can be produced elsewhere with little technical know-how. And this has been happening for some years now; we can no longer manufacture simple textile products at competitive prices. We will have to concentrate on high-standard quality.

Q: Are the authorities able to help? It is often said that other countries make themselves conspicuous in this respect.

A: Certain countries like West-Germany, Switzerland and Sweden, have been focusing on advanced technology for a long time; this was in the tradition of their industrial

evolution. We also have a number of trade-branches that are absolutely on top of the world; electronics for instance. But considering our geographical position and our commercial past, the trade in raw materials and their transformation to semi-manufactured products forms a relatively important part of our export-package as a whole.

At the moment those industries are having a hard time because the price-sensitivity is very strong. When an important part of your exports consists of such products, this can hit you particularly hard in a period of stagnation, and then it is desirable to shift the emphasis. The authorities can stimulate the development of advanced new products, for instance with grants. Furthermore, they can support research and draw industry's attention to the different possibilities by supplying information about foreign markets.

Q: Does this mean the appointment of commercial attaches?

A: I believe that the information supplied to Dutch industry is thorough and complete. Foreigners often speak admiringly of our Economic Information Service, about its quality and speed. I doubt if

the doors are opened at the top level. That is why I'm going to Saudi Arabia. This business tour creates the opportunity to meet people. Maybe we did too little in the past on behalf of the government, especially with regard to the Gulf states, but I will try to make up for it. In some cases, the French will have obtained more results. But the business which our firms have acquired in the Middle East has practically been done without any government support.

Q: A well-known saying about the Dutch businessman is that he has to improvise too much in foreign countries....

A: That is an unfair reproach to Dutch business and in particular to the big firms that have international experience. There are only a few countries that have, within relative borders, such important multinationals.

Q: Do you think that social relationships in countries Holland does business with, should not be taken into consideration?

A: That depends. I can imagine that there are countries we should not do any business with, in particular when the United Nations has agreed on it. It is a misunderstanding to suppose that in Holland moral prevails over profit. This is not the case in the industry; it is not a general rule.

From the political point of view it is a different matter. I quite understand that certain aspects of trade are being emphasized in parliament. This can lead to the loss of export-orders, because politicians believe that a given country does not respect human rights.

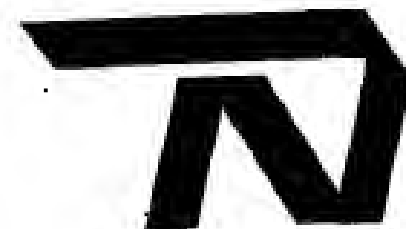
But it is not always a moral issue, it is also a matter of faith in the other country. It is a good thing, that in a democratic system like ours those things are being discussed; the final decision is in hands of the parliament.

Q: Do you believe that the high level of investments in Arab Countries has passed; that Dutch exports to those countries will slowdown?

A: There is no reason for

countries will be developed and that their market will be extended, with regards to exports as well as imports. I am rather optimistic, at least with continuing good management and if no crises take place. We have an interest in a solid development.

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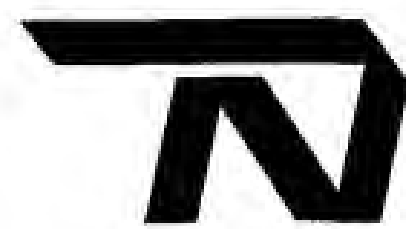
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Displaying Dutch products in Gulf

The "Holland Expo" ship, cruising the Middle East this week, has gathered the Swedes and will rival the Japanese in presenting national export products to a captive Arab market on the shore.

Conceived over two years ago, Holland Expo carries representatives of nearly 200 Dutch companies in the manufacturing and service industries, all eager to display their wares at the seven Middle Eastern ports of call.

Without the problems of foreign butels and exhibition halls, the five hundred Dutch businessmen are free to show their products and entertain their foreign guests on board their own luxury liner.

Floating fairs are a technique the Japanese have mastered, but for the Dutch it is a very ambitious first time. Swedish plans for a similar exhibition to follow the Dutch in February this year met with little support from Swedish companies and were eventually cancelled. Swedish companies in Jeddah and elsewhere felt a similar show on the same ship straight away would fail and were heard to express relief at no longer having to pay host to a floating disaster.

Holland Expo is the product of two years' work by Rudi Bier, Director of World Wide Expo in Copenhagen who conceived the project in conjunction with the Netherlands Council for Trade Promotion and Tor Shipping Lines in Gothenburg. Bier chartered the liner, "Tor Scandinavia" which normally sails between Gothen-

berg, Amsterdam and Felix-owne, and fitted it out to meet the requirements of prestige selling.

After conditioning, however, was installed early this month at Amsterdam, a few days before she sailed for Cairo on Jan 13th. A week later, the participants hoarded at Port Said with all their exhibition equipment, and the Tor Scandinavia sailed for Jeddah.

The Dutch hope that the tour will boost their Middle East exports which have grown considerably over the last few years, but not as much as businessmen would have liked and other countries have managed.

Holland Expo is the largest, most expensive show of Dutch products the Arab world has seen. Government support amounts to almost a third of the total cost of \$5 million and has reduced the price of exhibition space by about \$250 per square meter for participating companies.

Products on show range from aerial photographs, in shaft-sealing systems and motor yachts. Traditional Dutch products like cheese and milk, vegetable oils and fats are represented beside the Banque de Suez Nederland and International Insurance Brokers. Machine tool manufacturers and diesel engineers oostle beside constructions and spectacle-frame makers, petrochemical experts and even television producers.

The visitor may be confronted by a mad array of goods and services, but the tour is a vital link between supplier and consumer and allows insight into the many products available in this section of the world market.

On board, the Dutch Minister of State for Foreign Trade Promotion, K.H. Beyeo, and a number of his ambassadors leads the tour and welcomes visitors at the official opening ceremony at every port. This

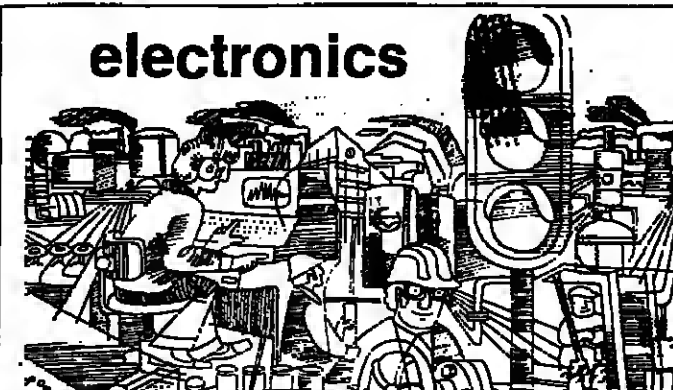
ministerial lead and the financial support show how much importance the Dutch government is now attaching to the growth of its trade with the Middle East. Though the real results will be long-term and immeasurable as this host of

Dutch traders make contact with new custom.

The tour started in Jeddah on Tuesday and will go on round the peninsula and up the Gulf to finish in Kuwait on Feb. 11.

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Dutch trade with M.E. growing

Dutch exports to the Middle East have picked up considerably over the last few years. So far, have the largely crude oil ports. These were virtually 10 times the value of exports in 1977, though the Dutch deficit is helped by the "visible" services it offers.

But while Holland's Middle East oil bill more than doubled in the four years from 1973, the value of its exported goods quadrupled. And it is this growth that the businessmen on board "Expo Holland" are seeking to augment.

The small European country is famous for its high-technology, particularly in electronics and petrochemicals. These, along with non-electric machinery, ships, construction, tubes, pipes and auxiliary piping from the bulk of Dutch exports to the area.

Agricultural and food products, also constitute a large share of the exports. These include milk and cream, meat and flour, margarine, lard and prepared cooking fats, eggs, and liquid vegetable oils.

These products accounted for \$65m — over half in milk and cream — in Holland's 1977 exports to Saudi Arabia, by far its largest Middle East customer.

This figure compares in the same year to \$57m for machines and parts, \$35m for electric machines and parts, and \$12m for construction.

The trade figures below give an overall picture of Dutch activity in the Middle East.

Holland Expo-schedule:

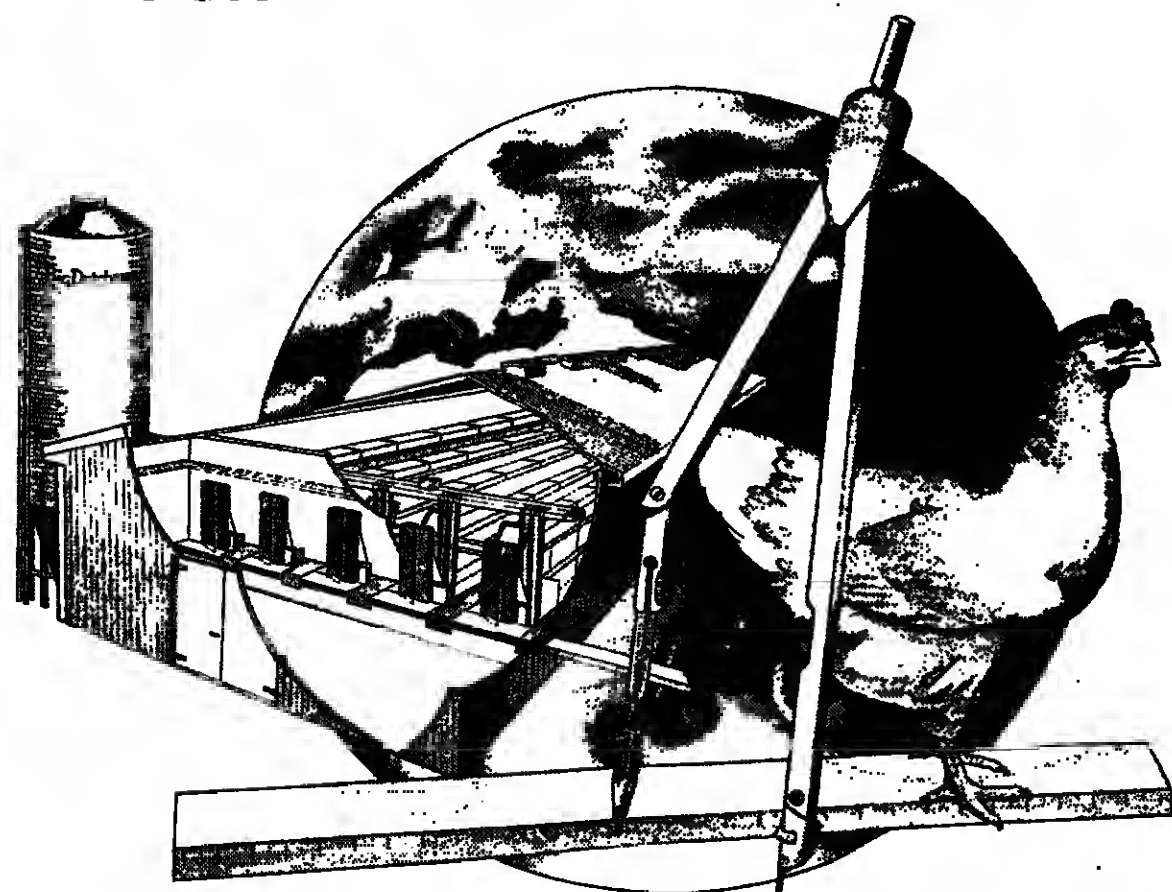
Port	Day	Date
Jeddah	Tuesday	23/1
	Wednesday	24/1
	Thursday	25/1
Abu Dhabi	Tuesday	30/1
Dubai	Wednesday	31/1
	Thursday	1/2
Doha	Friday	2/2
	Saturday	3/2

Port	Day	Date
Bahrain	Sunday	4/2
	Monday	5/2
Dammam	Tuesday	6/2
	Wednesday	7/2
Kuwait	Thursday	8/2
	Friday	9/2
	Saturday	10/2
	Sunday	11/2

Dutch Trade with the Arab Countries of the Middle East.					
(U.S. \$ million)		1973	1975	1976	1977
Saudi Arabia	import	1201	1391	2089	2240
	export	88	169	358	418
Kuwait	import	664	613	816	888
	export	34	57	70	98
United Arab Emirates	import	128	621	769	589
	export	22	124	127	162
Qatar	import	235	90	327	130
	export	9	21	54	26
Iraq	import	13	230	255	581
	export	24	135	190	120
Sultanate of Oman	import	11	23	96	36
	export	9	33	36	28
Egypt	import	23	33	78	55
	export	54	123	119	161
Bahrain	import	2	7	7	—
	export	8	15	25	24
Syria	import	14	1	1	12
	export	20	39	66	67
Jordan	import	—	—	—	—
	export	12	18	30	29

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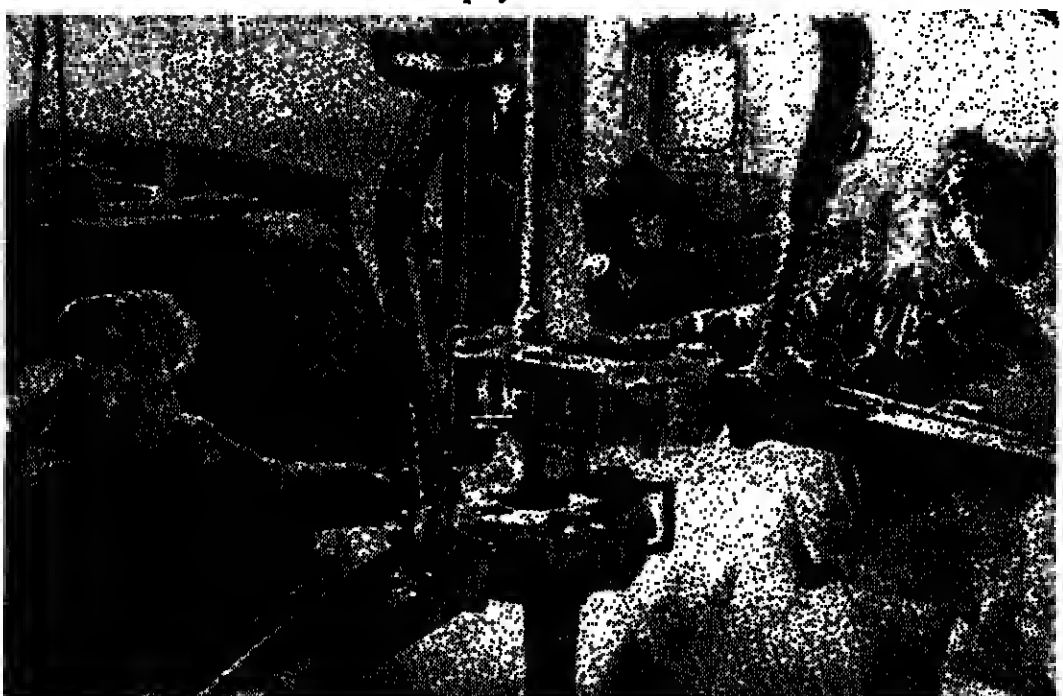
Carter seeks trade talks help; lashes out at 'protectionism'

Mitsui later asked a consortium of 21 banks for loans totaling 31.5 billion yen (\$158 million) to cover some of the funds needed for the project. It also sought additional loans totaling 100 billion yen (\$502 million) to enable completion by next year.

The Industrial Bank of Japan, which heads the consortium, said it would consider the request, but withheld immediate approval.

money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar.

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TACHING: Roughnecks at work in China's Taching oil field, the country's the bitter cold near the Soviet border. Shengli is the country's second largest

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs	Fencing of graveyard of Al-Hamri village in Hana-kiah	"	200	Mar. 13
" " "	Fencing of nine graveyards in the villages of Al-Wah-sha, Al-Jabour and Owais-rah in Mindaq	"	700	Mar. 17
" " "	Reorganizing of a park on the proposed site for a public library under the Municipality of Adiaf	"	120	Mar. 18
Saudi Arabian Airlines	Spraying of insecticides inside the planes at the Jeddah International Airport	1/79	xx	Jan. 22
Directorate General of Post	Intends to build some of its projects with concrete prefab materials. Interested local and foreign companies specialized in pre-fab buildings are requested to submit their qualifications to the Planning Department of the Directorate General	xx	xx	Within two weeks

Note: Importers having goods on the above mentioned ships should complete their formalities as soon as possible. For any inquiries please contact the Shipping Agents.

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	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
Opening Thursday			
U.S. Dollar	3.34	3:35	3.34
Pound Sterling	6.66	6.72	6.72
Deutsche Mark	1.80 (100)	181.50	181.25
Swiss F	1.98 (100)	200.00	200.00
French F	0.78 (100)	79.00	79.00
Italian Lira (1000)	—	4.25	4.25
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	109.50	109.25
Syrian Lira (100)	—	81.00	84.00
Egyptian Pound	—	4.55	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.25	12.25
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.40	11.37
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	87.25	87.25
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	87.25	87.25
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.72	8.72
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.50	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	73.75	73.80
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	79.00	88.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	40.85
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	33.00	34.00
Gold kg	—	25,600	—
10 Tolas bar	—	3,000	—
Silver kg bar	—	690	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.68	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.80	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.14	—	—
Dutch gilder	1.67	—	—
Italian Lira (100)	0.40	—	—

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LONDON		NEW YORK	
January 25	Range	January 25	Opening Prices
USA	1,995-1,995	STG	1,943-1,944
Canada	2,770-2,773	BFR CON	39.28-39.27
France	5,410-5,410	CYF	83.95-83.95
Germany	58.55-58.45	FLR	35.95-35.95
Belgium	58.55-58.45	LIT	40.85-40.87
Holland	166.90-167.80	DIF	25.95-25.95
Italy	2,970-2,970	SFR	1,690-1,690
Switzerland	3,350-3,370	SPR	
Spain	3,765-3,765	VEN	1,875-1,890
W. Germany	8,700-8,700	DAIK	199.40-199.40
Sweden	10,145-10,145	ASIC, SCH	5,145-5,145
Norway	10,145-10,145	DOK	5,145-5,145
Denmark	10,145-10,145	DKR	5,145-5,145
Austria	27.00-27.00	FKB	46.90-47.45
Portugal	51.95-51.95	SNR	4,365-4,365
Greece	135.00-135.00	BFR FLN	29.65-29.65
Japan	397.30-397.00	SKR	73.65-73.65

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Goldster	2.0100	
Belgian Franc	20.3400	
Deutschmark	1.8643	
Hong Kong Dollar	4.7780	
French Franc	4.3630	
Italian Lira	373.48	
Japanese Yen	199.80	
Swiss Franc	1.6034	
		January 25
		Six, one month 5.10-52c, two months 5.10-51c, three months 5.10-51c, six months 5.25-51c, twelve months 5.25-51c
		Jan. one month 5-2 dia, two months 5-2 dia, three months 5-3 dia, six months 13-15 pref, twelve months 20-20 dia
		LONDON GOLD
		January 25
		1.00 p.m. Th
		Monday 5.10
		Wednesday 5.10
		Friday 5.10

DOW JONES STOCK AVERAGES مؤثر داو جونز

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January 25		
30 Industrials ...	\$47.97	Up 1.56 or 118%
20 Transport ...	21.62	Up 3.49 or 119%
10 Railroads ...	15.25	Up 1.00 or 118%
5 Stocks ...	27.84	Up 0.83 or 105%

New York — (AP/JD) — Stocks closed lower as a late sale stirred anti-session panic.

Lead and tin were the only metals to show a number of major corporations reported good earnings gains for the first three months of 1967. However, they fell away. Further, they said, the U.S. dollar declined in foreign exchange markets after Switzerland announced it would raise its foreign currency investments by 50 percent. Also, the U.S. Labor Department reported that the December Consumer Price Index rose 0.6% in December but said that the December Retail Price Index rose 0.5%.

Property tax cuts, without which the Index would have

The Dow Jones Industrial Average finished at \$46.41, down 0.44. It had shown a surge of as much as six points earlier in the day. Transport averages fell 1.00 point, while the Industrials averaged against 20,220.00 shares traded.

On the New York Stock Exchange, all stock prices declined. The Market Value Index slipped 0.95 up 14.60, and the average price per share had also declined.

Decliners exceeded gainers by about 342 to 246. The Dow Jones Industrial Average had been unchanged.

Among the most active issues were International Seacore, which fell to 1% on volume of 121,200 shares, and active to 1% on volume. International Chemicals Inc. declined 1/2 point to 36 1/2, on volume of 110,000 shares. It had traded up to 36 1/2, on volume of 100,000 shares, after a 1/2 point decline down to 35 1/2 on trading of 92,000 shares. International Chemical Corp., up 1/2 to 18 on trading of 77,100 shares.

In other developments, the U.S. Treasury said the Federal Budget deficit narrowed in December and the Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee said he wanted to put off further a 400 million-dollar budget-pairing social security measure until next year.

About 650 issues closed higher and about 820 declined.

**DOW JONES
CLOSING STOCK AVERAGES**

	January 24		
30 Industrials	846.41	DN 0.44	or 0.05%
50 Transp.....	217.23	DN 0.63	or 0.29%
15 Utilities	162.67	DN 0.10	or 0.16%
45 Stocks	285.92	DN 0.34	or 0.12%

FINANCIAL TIMES		فونش اندكس		A year ago	
STOCK INDICES		فونش اندكس			
	Jan. 25	Jan. 24	Jan. 23	Jan. 19	Jan. 18
Placed Issues	66.47	66.47	66.99	67.00	67.37
Governed Issues	68.58	68.58	69.18	69.29	69.68
Industrial Ordins	461.9	461.8	476.6	473.1	479.9
Gold Index	171.0	170.8	180.1	179.5	154.3
Gold Mines (Index)	116.2	116.2	119.5	118.9	115.5
Ord. Div. Yield	6.24	6.38	6.23	6.16	6.08
Eurostoxx 100 (Index)	16.33	16.52	16.31	16.41	15.94
P/E Ratio (Index)	7.54	7.83	7.93	8.01	8.11
Swiss Index	3,437	3,437	3,437	3,437	3,437
Equity turnover %	—	75.35	56.83	53.75	59.51
Equity margins total	—	12,064	11,937	11,937	10,714

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LONDON COMMODITY PRICES اسعار السلع والمعادن الرئيسية


SOYABEAN MEAL		Today's Closing	Today's Closing
		¢ per bushel	¢ per ton
February	130.80	128.20	
April	126.30	126.00	
June	124.40	123.90	
August	124.70	124.00	
October	125.00	123.00	

January 25 LANCASHIRE FIBRE			December	125.00	120.00
			February	125.50	120.00
COCOA	Today's Closing	Previous Closing	WOOL	Australian Greasy Wool	
	£ per income			Pence per Kilo	
March	1728	1727	May	—	—
May	1773	1770	July	—	—
July	1793.5	1793	October	—	—
September	1815	1812	December	—	—

December	1854	1854	March	—	—
March	1866	1865	May	—	—
May	1870	1870	July	—	—
			October	—	—

ARABICA COFFEE 5 per 50 Kilos

August	UNQ	UNQ
October	UNQ	UNQ
December	UNQ	UNQ



February	UNQ	UNQ	
April	UNQ	UNQ	
June	UNQ	UNQ	
August	UNQ	UNQ	

BASIC MINERALS			
January 26 Official Close			
	£ per tonne	Today's	Previous
January	1656	1658	

March	1358	1357	ALUMINUM	Cash	£ per tonne	Cash
May	1247	1246		Three months	£43.80	£44.00
July	1191	1190		Six months	£44.80	£45.00
September	1147	1145		Settlement	£44.00	—
November	1113	1110				
January	1095	1085				

GRAINS		COPPER	
Wheat	Barley		£ per tonne
Yesterday's	Yesterday's		

	Closing	Closing	Wharves		
	£ per long ton				
March	93.40	87.20	Cash	866.50	867.00
May	96.18	87.75	Three months	886.00	886.50
September	90.30	84.25	Settlement	867.00	—
November	93.30	87.20	Cardiotes		
			Cash	854.00	854.50
			Three months	874.00	874.50
			Settlement	854.50	—

RUBBER

Pence per kilo		LEAD	
February	57.50		£ per tonne
March	58.30		
April-June	59.50	July	530.00
July-September	61.50	Three months	590.50
Oct.-December	63.55	Settlement	531.00
January-March	65.60		—
April-June	67.65		
July-September	69.75		

SILVER	
February	57.50
March	58.30
April-June	59.50
July-September	61.50
Oct.-December	63.55
January-March	65.60
April-June	67.65
July-September	69.75

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October	110.70	110.65	Softener		
December	113.65	113.40	Cash	6920	6925
March	118.45	118.50	Three months	6870	6880
May	121.50	120.75	Settlement	6925	—
			High Grade		
			Cash	6940	6950
			Three months	6900	6910
			Settlement	6950	—

WHITE SUGAR		
	\$ per long ton	
April	98.75	98.00

July	105.00	104.00		
September	119.00	109.60		
November	116.00	115.25		
February	123.00	121.00		
April	127.50	126.00		
July	123.00	120.00		

ZINC

Cash	369.50	369.50
Three months	382.00	382.50
Settlement	369.50	---

£ per tonne

INTEREST RATES		أسعار فوائد العملات الأوروبية					
Dutch Guilder	Swiss Franc	W. German Mark	French Franc	Italian Lira	Asian Dollar	Japanese Yen	

74-76%	par-41	34-35%	64-64%	8-11	—	-9 1/16-3%
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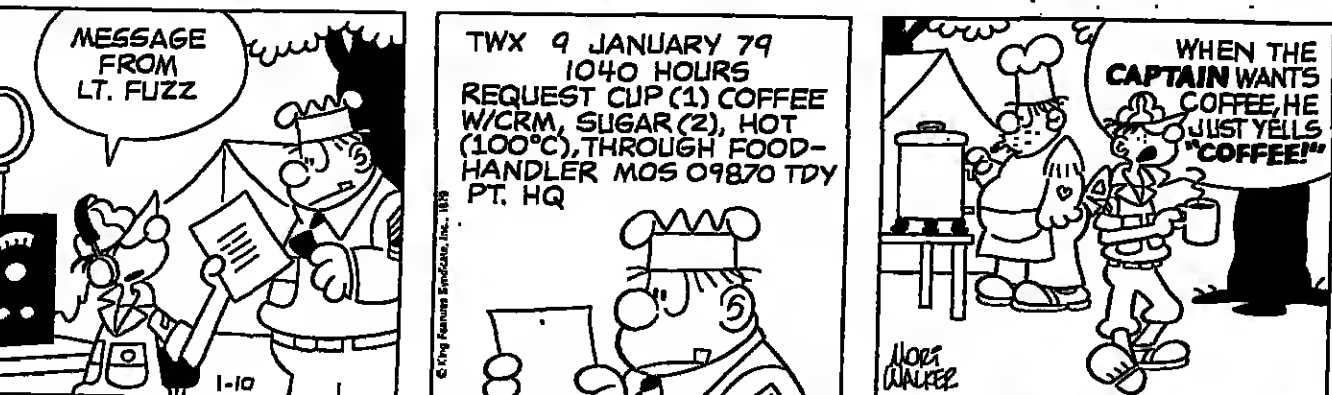
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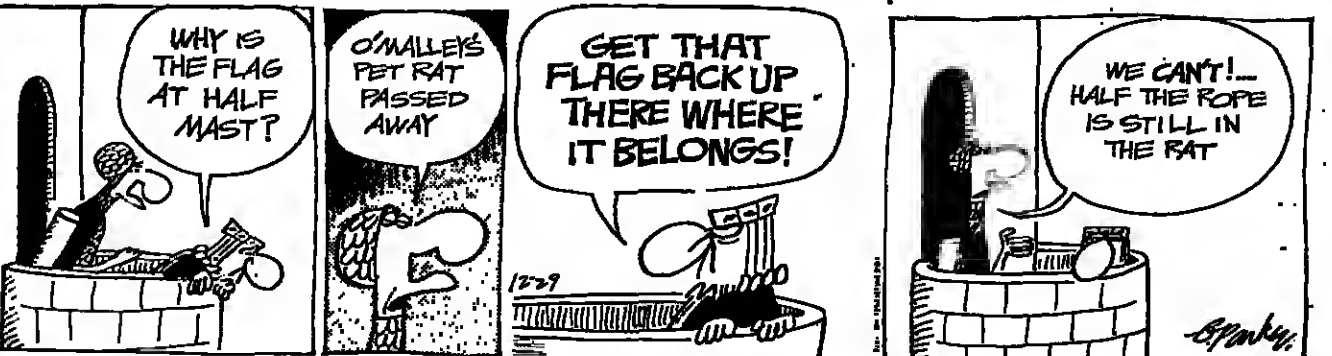
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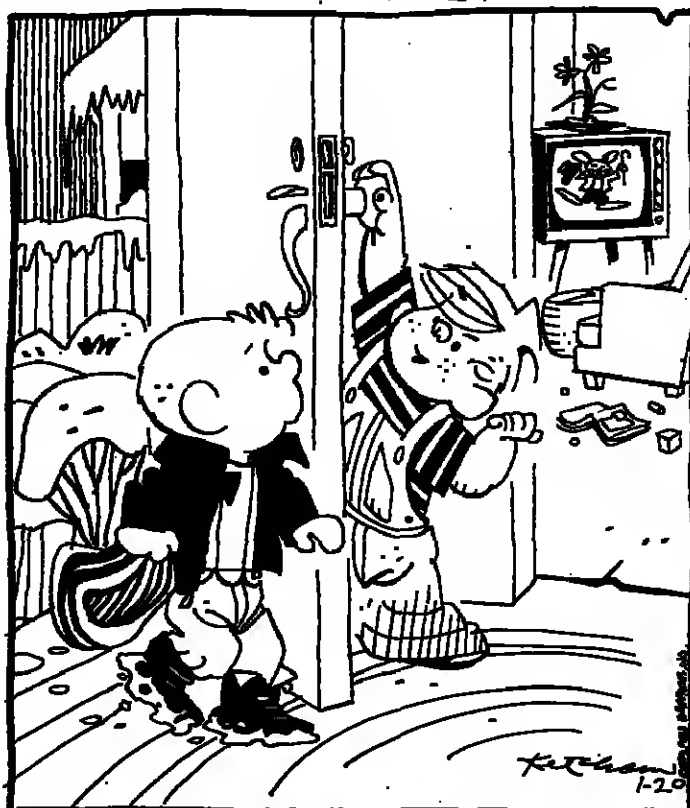
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1. Aired

2. Confine

3. Expatriate

4. Ottoman official

5. Explosion site

6. Four-bagger

7. European river

8. Like ranks

9. Called for

10. Request

11. Brewer or Wright

12. Lottery prize

13. Fodder

14. Famous tenor

15. Dutch

16. Midwest college

17. Bro. or sis.

18. Nicky Arnstein

19. Avo

20. Selma

21. Triangle

22. Maxine

23. Harsh

24. Gaelic

25. Manila

26. Bay hero

27. Signal

28. Down

29. Zodiac symbol



Saturday's Answer

23. Nasty

24. Quagmire

25. Warded off

26. Ease

27. Tibetan gazelle

28. Bar order

29. Fabric

30. Cagney

31. Accomplish

32. Spurious

33. Gosh

34. Gosh

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Swapping Horses in Midstream

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NORTH

♠ A Q 8 6 3

♥ K 8 7

♦ J 8 5

♣ 6 4

EAST

♠ J 10 9 4 2

♥ 6 3

♦ A Q 10 7

♣ J 9 8 3 2

SOUTH

♠ K 5

♥ A 7 4

♦ A K Q 10 7 2

♣ K 5

The bidding:

South West North East

10 10 10 10

30 Pass 40 Pass

4 NT Pass 50 Pass

60

Opening lead - queen of hearts.

Let's assume you're in six diamonds and West, who hid one heart, leads the queen of that suit. Certainly your prospects of making the slam are excellent, but after you win the heart lead with the ace, draw two rounds of trumps, and play the K-A of spades, West unexpectedly shows out with the ace, and the effect of having applied this pressure on West is that you make the slam.

You now play the deuce of trumps and poor West, who cannot spare a heart, discards the queen of clubs. The nine of hearts having served its purpose, you discard it from dummy. Then you play the five of clubs, forcing West to win the five with the ace, and the effect of having applied this pressure on West is that you make the slam.

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This is quite a blow because, had the spades been divided 3-3, you would have made all the

tricks, while if the spades had been divided 4-2, you could have secured twelve tricks by simply ruffing one of dummy's low spades.

There's no use crying over spilt milk, so you naturally try to reorganize your thoughts to deal with the actual situation. You note that you can exert tremendous pressure on West by playing out all your trumps and thus force him to make a crucial discard on the last one. So, in line with this thought, you cash dummy's queen of spades, discarding a heart, and lead three more rounds of trumps, producing this position:

North ♠ K 9

♥ 6 4

♦ A Q

♣ K 5

South ♠ J 10 9 4 2

♥ 6 3

♦ A K Q 10 7 2

♣ K 5

West ♠ J 10 9 4 2

♥ 6 3

♦ A K Q 10 7 2

♣ K 5

East ♠ K 9

♥ 6 4

♦ A Q

♣ K 5

South ♠ J 10 9 4 2

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♦ A K Q 10 7 2

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West ♠ J 10 9 4 2

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Late News

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Four still trapped inside

Train in Bangladesh derails, killing 70

DACCA, Jan. 26 (AP) — Officials confirmed 70 were dead and 182 injured Friday in western Bangladesh when an express train derailed.

Bangladesh radio quoted officials as saying they feared the death toll might rise.

The engine and three cars in the Khulna Mail Train overturned and two other cars

jumped the rails in nearby Chuadanga, about 150 miles north of Dacca.

Trapped
Officials of Chuadanga, in Kishoria District near the border with India, said that four persons were still trapped in the cars, six hours after the accident occurred at 1330 local time.

Railway workers were continuing to search for bodies believed trapped in the badly smashed train, the radio reported.

The deputy commissioner of railroads declined to speculate on whether the train had been sabotaged. But he said that the railway track near the point of the accident was disjointed.

The engine and several cars flew off the tracks and landed in a nearby ditch between Joyrangpur and Chuadanga, Chuadanga officials said.

Two relief trains carrying medical supplies have been rushed to the scene of disaster, officials said.

The injured have been rushed to Chuadanga hospital which is not equipped to handle such an emergency. Temporary tents have been erected to treat the injured. A medical team will be leaving Saturday from Dacca to go to Chuadanga, the officials said.

Algeria Crash

ALGIERS, Jan. 26 (R) — An Algerian Airlines plane on an internal flight crashed Thursday night near the Moroccan border, killing 14 people and injuring 10 others, the official Algerian news agency said Thursday.

The plane, a Nord 262, was carrying 25 passengers and three crew members, all of them Algerian. It was on a flight from Bechar, 1000 kilometers south-west of here, to the desert town of Adrar.

An inquiry into the accident has been ordered.

Algerian party congress chooses candidates today

ALGIERS, Jan. 26 (UPI) — A congress of the ruling National Liberation Front Party opens Saturday to choose a successor to the late President Houari Boumedienne who died Dec. 27.

The 3,100 delegates from around the country will be presented with two possible candidates. They will name one who will stand for election Feb. 7.

The party sources said the two most likely candidates before the four-day congress were Col. Muhammad Salah Yahiaoui, 46, acting chief of the Front, Algeria's only legal party, and Col. Chadli Benjedid, 49, acting defense minister and head of the Oran military region.

The final selection was expected to be announced Jan. 29 or 30.



President Carter



Chiang Ching-kuo

Carter submits plan for Taiwan relations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter sent legislation to Congress Friday to set up a new American institute to assume the functions of an embassy in Taiwan. It will be headed by three veteran American diplomats.

The institute would handle governmental aspects of U.S. arms and trade arrangements with the nationalists as well as passports, visas and other routine contact arising from the 60 treaties between Washington and Taipei.

But State Department officials said the government on Taiwan has not yet agreed to all aspects of the new relationship.

The break in relations was a condition set by Communist China in settling ties between Washington and Peking. Carter also agreed to terminate the defense treaty with Taiwan on Jan. 1, 1980, while continuing shipment of American defensive weapons to the island.

All other business and cultural agreements are to be

main in effect, to be handled by the new institute headed by David Dean, an American diplomat who has served in both Peking and Taipei. He is to be assisted by L. Dean Brown, a retired ambassador in the Middle East, and Edwin M. Martin, former ambassador to Argentina.

The legislation could become a prime battleground for conservative Senators opposed to dropping Taiwan for diplomatic relations with the mainland. Some supporters of Carter's China policy are trying to assure that Taiwan retains some of the security assurances in the 1954 defense treaty after it is terminated.

Meanwhile, negotiations with the nationalists will go on. "We are going ahead with the institute even though we don't have their consent on all issues," a State Department official, who asked not to be identified, said.

Nordli and Swedish Premier Olof Ullsten signed an agreement on Dec. 8 which would have given Sweden crude oil from Norway's developing offshore oil industry in the North Sea as well as refined oil products.

Norway was to have bought a 40 per cent stake in Volvo and then invest 750 million Swedish crowns (\$165 million) in a new bi-national company.

Volvo Managing Director Pehr Gyllenhammar also signed the agreement, which would have given Norway access to Swedish technology and timber.

But the deal aroused strong opposition in Norway, putting Nordli's government at risk if the proposals had come before the Storting (parliament) as expected next month.

Financial circles in Sweden, had also opposed the deal on the grounds that finance for Volvo's new car — a major part of the Swedish-Norwegian proposal — could be found on the Swedish capital market.

Nordli said in Oslo that the

Manila threatens to expel Tung An

MANILA, Jan. 26 (AP) — The Philippines threatened Friday to drive away a cargo ship stranded for a month in Manila Bay with more than 2,000 Vietnamese refugees aboard unless other countries act quickly to resettle the "boat people."

The threat was contained in a press release from the foreign ministry.

Appeal
The statement said the ministry had urged a group of 19 countries to act expeditiously on earlier appeals for help in resettling the refugees, "before we are compelled by circumstances to ask the Tung An to proceed to its original port of destination."

Six of 19 countries the Philippines has appealed to for help have agreed to resettle a total of 226 refugees, with Israel taking 102 and France, 86.

The Israeli-bound group left early this week and 66 others had been flown earlier to new homes in New Zealand and France. Twenty-six are expected to leave for France soon, 20 for West Germany and 11 for Switzerland.

This leaves 2,092 refugees on the Tung An with nowhere to go.

No Deadline
In making Friday's threat, the ministry did not, however, set any deadline as to how long the vessel, turned away from Brunei two days before Christmas, will be allowed to remain in the bay.

A source in the ministry said this month the government did not want to announce any specific deadline for fear that the refugees might disable the ship or, in desperation, jump overboard and attempt to swim ashore.

The Tung An's crew claims they were rescuing refugees on a sinking boat in the South China Sea on Dec. 6 when refugees on other boats started swarming all over the freighter. The ship was sailing to Hong Kong with a cargo of catfish from Bangladesh.

The Philippine government has been providing the refugees food, water and medical treatment. But it has refused to allow them to come ashore, pleading that its only refugee camp is already overcrowded.

Families
Meanwhile, the U.S. Embassy said a family of four was scheduled to be taken off the Tung An on Saturday to prepare for transfer to the United States.

Norman Hastings, an embassy official handling the refugees problem, said they were being taken in as "any other immigrant" and not because of their status as refugees.

The embassy was expecting to receive immigration documents for another Vietnamese family on the vessel, he said. Although the United States was studying papers for about 600 other refugees, it was not giving them any more priority than thousands of other Vietnamese "boat people" waiting in Southeast Asian camps, he added.

Volvo voids plan with Norway to become bi-national company

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 26 (R) — The board of Sweden's Volvo car company has withdrawn its offer to exchange shares for Norwegian oil, a Company spokesman said Friday.

An extraordinary meeting of Volvo shareholders to vote on the proposed deal, called for next Tuesday in Gothenburg, has now been cancelled, he said.

In Oslo, Norwegian Premier Odvar Nordli confirmed Volvo's move and said his government had also decided to withdraw from the proposed plan.

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Volvo board had informed the Norwegian government there were not sufficient votes at the meeting of Volvo shareholders for the agreement.

There was thus no basis for any agreement on oil deliveries from Norway to Sweden and timber deliveries from Sweden to Norway, he said.

Thursday it became clear that the combined opposition in Norway's parliament, commanding 79 of its 155 votes, would vote against the deal with Sweden.

Before Pope's arrival

Quake hits Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 26 (R) — A strong earth tremor shook Mexico City Friday causing panic among crowds awaiting the arrival of Pope John Paul.

Witnesses said scores of people scattered in all directions as the two-minute tremor hit the city. Police restored order. There were no immediate reports of any casualties. In the Dominican Republic

Thursday, the Pope kissed the ground of the new world on the first stop of his Latin American tour and vowed the church would continue to champion human rights to make the world "more just, humane and livable."

It was the first day of a week-long trip to the Dominican Republic, Mexico and the Bahamas.

SAIGIR: Virtuoso performance for Al-Ahli



APPEAL: A couple begs Iranian soldiers in downtown Tehran, Friday to stop firing at demonstrators but they are stopped by the postulating unit commander. At least five people were killed and several wounded in the capital. (AP photo)

No reward for Ahli and peerless Sagir as Hilal scrapes 1-0 victory

By David Smith
JEDDAH, Jan. 26 — Al-Ahli stays on top of the Premier Division after a 1-0 victory over a brave Al-Ahli in Jeddah Friday, but the Riyadh side must consider this as the most fortunate two points it will gain all season.

Close rival Al-Na'ar stayed in contention Thursday with a comfortable 2-0 victory over Al-Itifaq in Riyadh. This was not one of Na'ar's best displays, but second-half goals by Majid Abdullah from a penalty and Hamid Al-Agrabi from a free-kick gave it the win.

Jeddah's Al-Itihad maintained its recent good form, with a 2-0 win over Al-Atayi Friday. Swedish center-forward Sjoberg scored the two goals that kept Itihad in third place in the table.

Ahli dominated a fascinating contest between two even-

ly matched sides, and had, in Ahmed Al-Sagir, the outstanding player on the field. Sagir gave a virtuoso performance in midfield and was well booked up by Tunisian Tarek Diah. The Ahli forward line, still missing Dabbio and Khojaly, was unable to respond to this midfield dominance and several fine chances were scorned.

The much-vaunted Hilal attack was well held by a resolute Ahli defense, and it was to the credit of striker Sultan bin Nasib that he scored with the only opportunity given to him. In midfield, Ravelino made his mark with several searching passes, but was overshadowed by the performance of Sagir and Tarek for Ahli, and after having been booked for a foul on Idris Adam was lucky not to receive stern punishment for a late foul on Sagir.

The game was won and Hilal

lost in dramatic 82nd minute. Ahli was pressing forward and yet another Sagir pass found Tarek on the edge of the box. The Tunisian player threaded his way past two defenders before sending in a left-foot shot which beat Ibrahim Younis but rebounded from the inside of the post.

The ball was cleared upfield where Sultan bin Nasib found himself outside and with a clear run at goal. The powerful striker made no mistake as he bore in on goal and beat Adel Rawas to give Hilal the vital points.

Results: Ahli 0, Hilal 1; Itihad 2, Atayi 0; Na'ar 2, Itifaq 0 (Thursday); Kadasia 3, Wehda 1 (Thursday).

Standings: Fld Pts
13 23

Na'ar 13 22
Itihad 12 15
Itifaq 13 13
Wehda 13 12
Kadasia 13 12
Ahli 12 10
Nahda 11 7
Atayi 13 7
Riyadh 11 3

Weather wrecks U.K. program

LONDON, Jan. 26 (R) — Snow, ice and frost have wrecked this weekend's British football program, including the fourth round of the English Football Association Cup.

Of Friday night's matches, Colchester vs. Walsall, Southampton vs. Carlisle, and Stockport vs. Scunthorpe were postponed.

Thirty-one of Saturday's matches have so far been called off.



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